1	BEFORE THE					
2	ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION					
3	IN THE MATTER OF:					
4	ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE) COMPANY)					
5	COMPANI) VS)					
6) No. 08-0105 Global NAPs Illinois, Inc. It					
7	is a complaint pursuant to) Section 252E of the Federal)					
8	Telecommunications Act of 1996) and Sections 4-101, 10-101 and)					
9	10-108 of the Illinois Public) Utilities Act.					
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14	BEFORE:					
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- 1 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Let me call the case.
- 2 Pursuant to the direction of the
- 3 Illinois Commerce Commission, I call Docket 08-0105.
- 4 This is Illinois Bell Telephone Company versus Global
- 5 NAPs Illinois, Inc.
- 6 It is a Complaint Pursuant to Section
- 7 252E of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996
- 8 and Sections 4-101, 10-101 and 10-108 of the Illinois
- 9 Public Utilities Act.
- 10 May I have the appearances for the
- 11 record please.
- 12 MR. BINNIG: Christian Binnig and Hans Germann,
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- 15 Complainant, Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Inc.
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- 20 Inc., Stephen Moore of the law firm of Roland &
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- 1 MR. HARVEY: Appearing for the staff of the
- 2 Illinois Commerce Commission, Matthew L. Harvey and
- 3 Megan McNeill, 160 North LaSalle Street, Suite C800,
- 4 Chicago, Illinois 60601.
- JUDGE MORAN: Are there any other appearances?
- 6 Let the record reflect that there are
- 7 none.
- And we're here today for the
- 9 evidentiary hearing. I have been informed that the
- 10 two AT&T witnesses, Mr. Hamiter and Ms. Pellerin,
- 11 will go first, followed by a phone hookup with
- 12 Mr. Noack, and then Mr. Scheltma and Mr. Hoagg.
- 13 And are there any preliminary matters
- 14 we need to discuss? Okay.
- Who are the witnesses here? This is
- 16 Mr. Scheltma?
- MR. Scheltma: Yes, ma'am.
- JUDGE MORAN: Ms. Pellerin, Mr. Hamiter.
- 19 Let me swear the three of you in right
- 20 now
- 21 (Witnesses sworn.)
- JUDGE MORAN: Please proceed then.

- 1 MR. GERMANN: Illinois Bell calls James
- 2 Hamiter.
- JAMES W. HAMITER,
- 4 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 5 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 6 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 7 BY
- 8 MR. GERMANN:
- 9 Q Would you state your full name and business
- 10 address for the Commission.
- 11 A My name is James William Hamiter; that's
- 12 H-a-m-i-t-e-r. My business address is 308 South
- 13 Akard Street in Dallas, Texas 77502 -- excuse me. I
- 14 just went blank on my -- 75202, I believe.
- 15 Q Mr. Hamiter, do you have in front of you
- 16 AT&T Illinois Exhibits 2.0, 2.1, the direct testimony
- 17 and rebuttal testimony of James Hamiter on behalf of
- 18 AT&T Illinois?
- 19 A Yes, I do.
- Q Did you prepare these testimonies?
- 21 A Yes, I did.
- Q Do you have any corrections to make to the

- 1 testimony?
- 2 A Yes, I have two minor corrections that were
- 3 made. I believe those corrections were filed
- 4 yesterday.
- 5 Q Could you tell us what those corrections
- 6 are?
- 7 A Yes, sir. In my direct on Page 7, Line
- 8 198, the name Rebecca M. Harlin has been replaced
- 9 with Barbara A. Moore. And on Page 10, Line 288
- 10 through 290, the sentence beginning on Line 288 with
- "I do not know if" and ending on 299 with the word
- 12 "example" has been stricken entirely.
- 13 Q Do you have any other corrections to your
- 14 testimony?
- 15 A No, sir, I don't.
- Q With those corrections, if I were to ask
- 17 you the questions that appear in AT&T Illinois
- 18 Exhibits 2.0 and 2.1, would your answers be the same
- 19 today as the answers set forth in those exhibits?
- 20 A Yes, sir.
- MR. GERMANN: With that, your Honor, I move for
- 22 the --

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- 2 BY MR. GERMANN:
- 3 Q Mr. Hamiter, do Exhibits 2.0 and 2.1
- 4 include any attachments?
- 5 A I believe they do, yes, sir.
- 6 Q And are those the attachments that you --
- 7 did you prepare those attachments with your
- 8 testimony?
- 9 A Yes, sir.
- 10 MR. GERMANN: With that, I move for the
- 11 admission of AT&T Illinois Exhibits 2.0 and 2.1 and
- 12 offer the witness for cross.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. So you're proposing to
- 14 admit AT&T Exhibit 2.0 with Exhibits JWH1 through 4
- and AT&T Exhibit 2.1 with Exhibits JWH5 through 14.
- I am noting that the attachments JWH9
- 17 through 14 are confidential. Am I correct?
- 18 MR. GERMANN: Yes, your Honor.
- 19 JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 20 With respect to AT&T Illinois Exhibits
- 21 2.0 and 2.1, the narrative testimony, are any of
- those in a proprietary version?

- 1 THE WITNESS: I believe there were some parts
- of those that were considered proprietary.
- JUDGE MORAN: So, in other words, there is a
- 4 public version and confidential version to those
- 5 testimonies?
- 6 MR. GERMANN: Yes.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 8 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. To both of them?
- 9 MR. GERMANN: Only to the rebuttal testimony,
- 10 your Honor.
- 11 JUDGE MORAN: Only to the rebuttal.
- 12 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, your Honor, 2.1 is
- 13 both public and confidential and 2.0 is public.
- 14 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Just so we clarify that.
- 15 Is there any objection to any of those
- 16 exhibits with the attachments as stated?
- 17 MR. HARVEY: None from staff, your Honor.
- MR. MOORE: No.
- 19 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. They will be admitted
- 20 subject to cross-examination.
- 21 And who wishes to begin cross?
- MR. MOORE: I'll go first.

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- 3 BY
- 4 MR. MOORE:
- 5 Q Mr. Hamiter, I'm Steve Moore. I'm here for
- 6 Global NAPs. All my questions will be on your reply
- 7 testimony, Exhibit 2.1.
- 8 Calling your attention to -- first of
- 9 all, let me ask you this: Can you please describe
- 10 the nature of the SONET linear -- point-to-point
- 11 linear chain that is connected to the Global NAPs
- 12 facility? What sort of a fiber is this?
- 13 A This was constructed or provisioned over
- 14 looped facility fiber. It's still fiber optics, it's
- 15 just that the infrastructure in which this fiber lies
- 16 was allocated originally for loops or customer lines,
- 17 like your telephone or something like that at your
- 18 residence or a business.
- 19 Q Now, is the physical facility, the fiber
- 20 over which the SONET is carried, is that dedicated
- 21 simply to Global NAPs or are other companies able to
- 22 share that physical fiber?

- 1 A Only those specific fibers that are
- 2 involved between the setup -- in the setup between
- 3 Global and AT&T Illinois. There are other fibers
- 4 within that facility.
- 5 Q When you say "other fibers within that
- facility, what do you mean?
- 7 A Well, what I mean is that entire facility
- 8 is not dedicated just for use by AT&T Illinois and
- 9 Global Illinois.
- 10 Q When you say "the facility," is that the
- 11 fiber that you're talking about?
- 12 A Yes, sir.
- Q Okay. So, in other words, there are other
- 14 carriers that are using that fiber?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q Okay. And it is your testimony that that
- 17 fiber is owned -- was installed by, paid for by AT&T;
- 18 is that correct?
- 19 A Yes, sir.
- 20 Q And at what -- where does AT&T's ownership
- 21 end at the Global NAPs end?
- 22 A It ends at the termination point at the

- 1 Global NAPs building with -- actually within that
- 2 building, there's a fiber distribution frame, if will
- 3 you, that's tied off at the frame.
- 4 O And that frame is within the building?
- 5 A Yes, sir.
- 6 Q And is that frame owned by or was it paid
- for by AT&T?
- 8 A I believe so.
- 9 Q And so everything beyond that frame would
- 10 be owned by Global NAPs?
- 11 A Or any other carrier that happens to attach
- 12 at that point.
- 13 Q Okay.
- 14 JUDGE MORAN: Excuse me. Are we talking about
- 15 the building in LaGrange?
- 16 THE WITNESS: No, your Honor. I believe, and I
- 17 apologize, it appears that he and I understand that
- we're really talking about the Global Illinois POP,
- if you will, their point of presence, the building in
- which they appear.
- 21 BY MR. MOORE:
- 22 Q This is the Oak Brook building?

- 1 A Their Oak Brook building.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. I'm sorry. I confuse
- 3 those two suburbs.
- 4 BY MR. MOORE:
- 5 Q All right. So just to make it clear then,
- 6 Illinois Bell owns everything up until the connection
- 7 point within the Oak Brook building of Global NAPs?
- 8 A Yes, sir.
- 9 Q And what would you consider the extent of
- 10 AT&T's network? Would it be up to that point?
- 11 A Well, we do have fiber that extends out
- 12 from our network. But in regard to interconnection
- on our network, we would require it to be in a
- 14 building environment, an atmospherically controlled
- 15 environment, if you will.
- 16 Q And does that building have to be an AT&T
- 17 facility or can it be a facility owned by some other
- 18 party?
- 19 A Well, it would have to be one of our
- 20 buildings or structures. We do not consider Global
- 21 Illinois' Oak Brook building to be on our network.
- 22 Q But the SONET, up until the connection

- 1 point within the Oak Brook building is Illinois
- Bell's network; is that correct?
- 3 A Yes, sir, it's the extension of our
- 4 network.
- 5 Q Now, on Page 10 at the bottom -- I'm sorry,
- 6 actually, it goes onto Page 11, the top of the page:
- 7 Neither can the POI be the SONET fiber because that
- 8 fiber is not a point, it is a physical facility
- 9 several miles long.
- 10 Can the POI be at the end of the
- 11 SONET, the point that the SONET terminates, the end,
- 12 you know, point -- terminating in Oak Brook?
- 13 A I'm sorry, sir. We're on Page 11?
- 14 O Yeah, we're on Page 11, the top of the
- 15 page?
- 16 A Okay.
- 17 Q The second line, the very end on mine:
- 18 Neither can the POI be the SONET fiber because that
- 19 fiber is not a point, it's a physical facility
- 20 several miles long?
- 21 A Okay. I see it.
- 22 Q Is it possible for the POI to be -- let me

- 1 rephrase it.
- 2 So the reason you're saying the POI
- 3 cannot be at the end of the SONET in the Oak Brook
- 4 facility is because AT&T believes that the POI must
- 5 be within its own building?
- 6 A Yes, sir. That's the point on our network.
- 7 The facility, whether it be fiber as a SONET or just
- 8 straight asynchronous fiber or either cable or what
- 9 have you, those just link points within a network.
- 10 The first point on our network is our
- 11 Oak Brook building, that is the first point from your
- 12 building over that linear chain SONET. It cannot be
- on the SONET.
- 14 O You said our Oak Brook building or
- 15 LaGrange? Let's make sure we have it right.
- 16 A Either one.
- 17 Q Okay. So there's an AT&T building in Oak
- 18 Brook?
- 19 A Yes.
- Q But this SONET, where is this --
- 21 physically? Where is this SONET? What are the end
- 22 points of this SONET?

- 1 A Well, there are really two SONETS that are
- 2 involved in this interconnection that was established
- 3 by the amendment to the interim agreement a number of
- 4 years ago.
- 5 There is the point-to-point linear
- 6 chain that goes from your building to our -- your Oak
- 7 Brook building to our Oak Brook building over which
- 8 DS3s, and that's a measure of bandwidth within a
- 9 fiber system, there are DS3s that are provisioned
- 10 over that part of the SONET.
- 11 And then those DS3s which were
- intended to go all the way to the LaGrange tandem,
- 13 those were continued on within our network over our
- 14 interoffice facilities from Oak Brook on up to the
- 15 LaGrange tandem building.
- 16 Q And Global NAPs is being charged for DS3s
- 17 from its Oak Brook building to LaGrange; is that
- 18 correct?
- 19 A Yes, that's -- my understanding is that
- that's what you ordered.
- 21 Q Not from Oak Brook GlobalComm to Oak Brook
- 22 AT&T, but rather Oak Brook GlobalComm to -- Global

- 1 NAPs to AT&T's facility in LaGrange?
- 2 A Yes, sir. Those DS3s go from your building
- 3 and presumably your switch over to the LaGrange --
- 4 the AT&T Illinois LaGrange tandem building, and it
- 5 happens to pass through the AT&T Oak Brook building.
- 6 Q Now, getting back to the Oak Brook building
- 7 of Global NAPs, why is the -- again, AT&T owns the
- 8 fiber distribution frame, correct?
- 9 A Yes, sir.
- 10 Q And it's your position that that cannot be
- 11 the POI because it isn't within an AT&T building?
- 12 A It's not on a point -- it's not in a point
- on our network, sir.
- 14 O Why is it not on a point in your network?
- 15 Isn't it a point, first of all?
- 16 A Sir, the point of interconnection that was
- 17 established by the amendment to the interim agreement
- 18 was to have been in the LaGrange tandem building, the
- 19 AT&T Illinois LaGrange tandem building, so --
- 20 Q Putting aside the agreement for the moment,
- 21 would it be technically feasible for Global NAPs to
- interconnect at the fiber distribution frame owned by

- 1 AT&T within the Oak Brook building of Global NAPs?
- 2 A No, sir.
- 4 connect there?
- 5 A That is not on our network, sir. It's not
- 6 a point -- it's a point on the network between our
- 7 networks, the interconnection network, but it is not
- 8 a point on our physical network.
- 9 Q You own everything up to that fiber
- 10 distribution frame, right, and including the frame?
- 11 A Yes, sir.
- 12 Q But AT&T takes the position that that is
- 13 not its network?
- 14 A It is not in an AT&T building; therefore,
- it is not -- if it's owned by someone else, it's not
- 16 part of our network.
- JUDGE MORAN: What do you mean if it's owned by
- someone else, it's not part of your network?
- 19 THE WITNESS: I don't really know who owns the
- 20 building. It could be owned by Global Illinois or it
- 21 could be owned by somebody that has opened it up for
- 22 any and all carriers.

- I believe the vernacular for that is a
- 2 CLEC hotel. But we only bring loop fiber up to that
- 3 building, and we stop it right there.
- 4 If any customer wants to connect with
- 5 us, they must bring their fiber within their building
- 6 and connect with our fiber there.
- 7 That is not the point at which we
- 8 choose to establish a point of interconnection or a
- 9 POI, all caps P-O-I.
- 10 JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 11 THE WITNESS: The first point -- and I believe
- in my direct testimony, I indicated that facilities
- 13 connect points on a network. And our first point at
- that position is the Oak Brook building.
- 15 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 16 BY MR. MOORE:
- 17 Q You're familiar with the technique of
- interconnection through a meet point?
- 19 A Yes, sir.
- 20 O Please describe what that means.
- 21 A Well, the term, "meet point" has two
- 22 definitions in telephony.

- 1 The first definition would be a meet
- 2 point used in conjunction with a description of
- 3 facilities between two carriers, such as AT&T
- 4 Illinois and the traditional other incumbent LEC,
- 5 such as Verizon and companies such as that, where a
- 6 meet point is established at or near our exchange
- 7 boundaries.
- 8 The other definition of meet point is
- 9 used to describe a trunk group that is established
- 10 from a CLEC that goes to our access tandem, and
- 11 that's established for the delivery of featured group
- 12 D-type traffic or traffic that would normally be
- 13 handled by an IXC.
- 14 Q Now, can a meet point be designated as the
- 15 POI?
- 16 A Well, in those instances where we have a
- meet point or facilities on a meet point basis, we're
- 18 just interconnecting with another incumbent LEC.
- 19 O You do not use meet points to connect to
- 20 CLECs?
- 21 A Not necessarily.
- Q But you sometimes do?

- 1 A We like -- when we interconnect with a
- 2 CLEC, we interconnect at a point on our network.
- A meet point in its classical
- 4 description would be -- it could be anywhere, out in
- 5 the middle of a field or something like that, it's
- 6 more of an administrative meet point.
- 7 The two carriers do not go out and dig
- 8 trenches and lay cable and then meet out at the
- 9 middle of a cornfield or something like that.
- 10 They provision and construct the
- 11 cable, and then some point on that cable, the lengths
- 12 are divided and, you know, on this side, it's ours
- and on this side, it's the other LEC's cable.
- 14 O And that could be a CLEC?
- 15 A When we interconnect with CLECs, sir, we
- 16 establish a point of interconnection on our network,
- 17 at a point on our network.
- 18 Q So every single interconnection that AT&T
- 19 has is within a building owned by AT&T? There's no
- 20 exceptions?
- 21 A No, there are some exceptions on one way,
- 22 where a CLEC provides fiber to our building and we

- 1 provide fiber to their building. I don't believe we
- 2 have anything like that, at least I can't think of
- 3 anything here in Illinois, but I do know we have that
- 4 in a couple of other states.
- 5 And that's in the case of one-way
- 6 facilities where we send our traffic to the other
- 7 CLEC over our facilities and the CLEC sends its
- 8 traffic to us over their facilities. But yet, when
- 9 they interconnect, they interconnect with us at our
- 10 building on our network.
- 11 Q And AT&T interconnects on the other side at
- their building, the other fiber?
- 13 A Yes, in a one-way situation, there are some
- 14 instances of that. There aren't many but there are
- 15 some.
- 16 O Do you know if MCI ever had interconnection
- 17 using meet points?
- 18 A I don't know.
- 19 Q Now, you referred to the interconnection
- 20 agreement of the parties, that would be the amendment
- 21 to the interim interconnection agreement, I'm looking
- 22 at schedule PHB2.

- 1 A Which page of my testimony were you
- 2 referring to, sir?
- 3 Q You were just in your answer were
- 4 discussing the parties' contract?
- 5 A Okay.
- 6 JUDGE MORAN: Mr. Moore, are you talking about
- 7 the interim or --
- 8 MR. MOORE: This is the amendment to the
- 9 interim interconnection agreement. This is schedule
- 10 PHP2.
- 11 BY MR. MOORE:
- 12 Q Are you familiar with that document?
- 13 A Yes, sir, I've seen it before.
- 14 O Now, this was executed by Global NAPs on
- 15 May 10, 2002; is that correct?
- 16 A Yes, sir.
- 17 Q Now, are you familiar with the order of the
- 18 Illinois Commerce Commission in the arbitration
- 19 between the two parties?
- 20 A I am aware of it, sir, yes. I was not
- 21 involved in that.
- 22 Q And are you aware that that order was

- 1 entered subsequent to Global NAPs executing the
- 2 agreement of May 14, 2002?
- 3 A I believe so.
- 4 Q Going to PHP2, Page 3, Item 9, this
- 5 indicates that, "Once the dispute identified herein
- 6 has been resolved by the Commission, the parties
- 7 shall conform their physical interconnection and
- 8 billing to the requirements in the final
- 9 interconnection agreement as it may be modified or
- interpreted by the Commission."
- 11 Is that a fair description of what the
- 12 agreement says?
- 13 A Well, you just read that paragraph, or most
- 14 of it, yes, sir.
- 15 Q Now, in the Commission order entered after
- 16 Global NAPs executed the agreement --
- 17 JUDGE MORAN: Are you marking this for
- 18 identification?
- 19 MR. MOORE: Just for identification, your
- 20 Honor. I don't need the exhibit entered in the
- 21 record.
- 22 JUDGE MORAN: All right.

- 1 MR. MOORE: For identification, we'll mark this
- 2 as Global NAPs Cross Exhibit 1.
- 3 (Whereupon, Global NAPs Cross
- 4 Deposition Exhibit No. 1 was
- 5 marked for identification.)
- 6 BY MR. MOORE:
- 7 Q And at the bottom of that -- and what I've
- 8 shown you here is Page 5 in the Commission order in
- 9 Docket 01-0786, the arbitration between Global NAPs
- 10 and Illinois Bell.
- In the bottom of that page,
- 12 Paragraph D, the Commission's conclusion is that
- 13 Global NAPs should be permitted to establish one POI
- 14 per LATA -- by the way, it's capital P, capital O,
- 15 capital I -- per LATA at any technically feasible
- 16 location in the Ameritech's network. Is that --
- 17 JUDGE MORAN: I'm not seeing it on my -- it's
- 18 under Commission analysis and conclusion?
- MR. HARVEY: It's the very last sentence, your
- Honor.
- 21 MR. MOORE: The first sentence under issue
- 22 one -- actually, the second sentence under issue one.

- JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 2 MR. MOORE: Well, I shouldn't say that, it's in
- 3 the middle of the sentence.
- 4 JUDGE MORAN: The first sentence under issue
- 5 one.
- 6 MR. MOORE: The first sentence.
- 7 BY MR. MOORE:
- 8 Q And you're saying that it's not technically
- 9 feasible to locate at the Global NAPs facility
- 10 because it's not owned by AT&T?
- 11 A Right. It's not a point on our network,
- 12 sir.
- 13 Q Now, what is your understanding, then, of
- 14 how the cost of transport from POI to Global NAPs is
- 15 supposed to be split or paid?
- 16 A You mean if we were to have a true jointly
- 17 provisioned SONET from your building location up to
- 18 the LaGrange, the AT&T LaGrange tandem building; in
- 19 other words, one that for which the costs were
- 20 shared?
- 21 Well, your company, Global Illinois,
- 22 would have to bring or -- or pay for a fiber from

- 1 your building in Oak Brook up to the LaGrange
- 2 building.
- 3 Q Let me ask you this way: Is it your
- 4 understanding that each party should be responsible
- 5 for the cost of transport on their side of the POI?
- 6 A No, sir, I didn't say that. I was
- 7 referring to --
- 8 Q Now I'm asking you that though.
- 9 A No, sir. According to our agreements, if
- 10 we were to have a jointly provisioned and jointly
- 11 paid for linear -- or point-to-point linear chain
- 12 SONET from your building up to the POI in LaGrange,
- 13 both sides would have to provide fibers over which
- 14 your bandwidth DS3s and DS1s would ride.
- 15 Q But if the POI could be determined to be at
- 16 the termination of the SONET within the Oak Brook
- 17 building of Global NAPs, AT&T -- or each party would
- 18 be responsible for their cost on either side of that
- 19 POI; is that correct?
- 20 A Would you run that by me one more time,
- 21 sir.
- 22 Q Yes. If the POI was determined to be at

- 1 the termination of the SONET within the Global NAPs
- 2 facility, each party would be responsible for their
- 3 cost on their side of the POI; is that correct?
- 4 A AT&T does not agree that the POI should be
- 5 located in your building.
- 6 However, the Commission has the right
- 7 to determine that. And if the Commission determines
- 8 that, AT&T Illinois will comply with their judgments.
- 9 But you're correct in that wherever
- 10 the POI is located, you know, on our side of the POI,
- 11 we're responsible for facilities on that side and
- 12 you're responsible for the facilities on your side of
- 13 the POI.
- 14 That means that if you have a trunk
- 15 group -- now, a trunk group, as I've indicated in my
- 16 direct testimony, a trunk group has to be provisioned
- 17 over facilities from a switch to another switch.
- 18 So going from your switch, which I
- 19 presume is there in Oak Brook, to one of our switches
- 20 that is behind the LaGrange tandem or someone else on
- 21 our network, you would provide the facilities for
- 22 that trunk group from your building up to the

- 1 LaGrange building where the POI is located. And then
- 2 we would provide the facilities for that trunk group
- 3 from the POI out to whichever switch it is you intend
- 4 to connect that trunk group to.
- 5 Q Let me ask you a hypothetical.
- 6 Assume that the POI is determined to
- 7 be at the termination of the SONET in the Global NAPs
- 8 building in Oak Brook, is there a necessity at that
- 9 point for the ordering of trunk groups?
- 10 A Yes, sir.
- 11 Q Well, again, if the POI is determined to be
- in the Oak Brook facility, AT&T is responsible for
- 13 everything up to the POI; is that correct?
- 14 A On our side of the POI.
- On your side of the POI. And if the POI is
- in the Oak Brook facility of Global NAPs, then AT&T
- 17 is responsible for everything on their side; is that
- 18 correct?
- 19 A If the Commission determines that, yes.
- 20 Q And in that situation, is there a necessity
- 21 for the ordering of trunk groups?
- 22 A Yes, there is.

- 1 Q And would Global NAPs be responsible for
- paying for those trunk groups?
- 3 A They would be responsible for paying for --
- 4 you don't pay for trunk groups, sir, you pay for the
- 5 facilities over which those trunk groups are
- 6 provisioned.
- 8 groups in order to size the pipe necessary, but they
- 9 would not be paying for the facilities beyond the
- 10 POI, which in this hypothetical is located within the
- 11 Oak Brook facility of Global NAPs?
- 12 A That's the way it is today, you do not pay
- 13 for the facilities on our side of the POI.
- 14 O I'm going to read from the Commission order
- 15 again in that first sentence of Paragraph D: Issue
- 16 one appears to be resolved and the Commission
- 17 concludes that Global should be permitted to
- 18 establish one POI per LATA at any technically
- 19 feasible location in Ameritech's network.
- The Commission in the order left it up
- 21 to Global NAPs to choose how many POIs and where
- within Ameritech's network they would be located; is

- 1 that correct?
- 2 A Yes, sir --
- 3 MR. GERMANN: Objection. It calls for a legal
- 4 conclusion.
- 5 MR. MOORE: I'm asking for him to interpret the
- 6 order.
- JUDGE MORAN: He's -- I don't think Mr. Hamiter
- 8 is an attorney?
- 9 THE WITNESS: No, ma'am.
- 10 JUDGE MORAN: You can say that that's your
- 11 interpretation and proceed to question him on that
- 12 basis.
- MR. MOORE: I'll move on to another topic.
- 14 BY MR. MOORE:
- 15 Q Calling your attention to, again, on
- 16 Exhibit 2.1, JWH9, it's the summary of the
- 17 three-minute reports?
- 18 A Yes, sir.
- 19 O And this is a confidential document so I'm
- 20 not going to read any of the numbers.
- Now, it's my understanding that this
- document shows the percentage of Global NAPs'

- 1 traffic. That is interstate and that is intrastate?
- 2 A Yes, sir.
- 3 Q But this only shows calls that were
- 4 originated within AT&T states; is that correct?
- 5 A Yes, sir, within AT&T -- within 12 of the
- 6 AT&T states, those calls that were originated by AT&T
- 7 end users, customers.
- 8 Q And these were calls that were greater than
- 9 three minutes?
- 10 A Yes, sir.
- 11 Q Now, JWH9 does not show all the traffic
- 12 that Global NAPs terminated on AT&T's network, does
- 13 it?
- 14 A No, sir.
- 15 Q Because it would have other states?
- 16 A Other states, other carriers, calls that
- 17 originated, say, in Verizon territory in Texas,
- 18 Nevada, wherever, in all the other 38 states.
- 19 O Now, are you familiar with voice over IP or
- 20 VoIP, V-o-I-P?
- 21 A I have worked with it.
- 22 Q And is it possible that a customer could

- 1 make a call using VoIP but it would show up on the
- 2 three-minute reports that are reflected in JWH9?
- 3 A I don't know how it would show up. It is,
- 4 as I believe I indicated in my -- I believe it was my
- 5 rebuttal testimony, the calls on these reports, on
- 6 the 39 reports, were originated by AT&T end users,
- 7 who are land line customers of ours. Their calls
- 8 originated on the TDM network and are not originated
- 9 as voice over IP.
- 10 Q Is it possible that a customer making a
- 11 long-distance call would -- is there a technology
- 12 that would allow them to originate it over the AT&T
- 13 network but transfer to a VoIP carrier?
- 14 A Well, when our customers establish
- 15 telephone service with us, they are allowed to choose
- 16 which carrier they want to handle their toll traffic.
- 17 When they establish or originate a
- 18 long-distance call, we look up their line class codes
- 19 and we determine, you know, first of all, can they
- 20 make a long-distance call, and if they can make a
- long-distance call, then we look at which carrier,
- 22 which IXC is going to carry that call for them

- 1 outside of the originating LATA.
- 2 Once we hand that call off to that
- 3 carrier, we're not responsible for, nor do we know
- 4 what happens to that call.
- 5 Q And at that point, the call could become an
- 6 enhanced call?
- 7 A No, sir, I don't believe so, only if the
- 8 enhanced services are going to be returned to the
- 9 customers.
- 10 Typically, an enhanced-type call means
- 11 that the originating carrier is looking for a
- 12 service. And I believe in my testimony, I used, you
- 13 know, voice mail and things like that as an example.
- 14 O So is it your position that no calls placed
- on the public switch network can be enhanced?
- 16 A No, they're enhanced calls, yes, sir. But
- 17 I'm telling you that in my testimony and in the
- 18 exhibits within my testimony, those calls which are
- 19 lumped into the term of three-minute reports, all of
- 20 those calls are not -- none of those calls, as far as
- I know, are VoIP or enhanced service calls.
- 22 Q I would like to move on to JWH10 through

- 1 14.
- Before I do that, let me ask you this:
- 3 A VoIP customer, can it choose its NANP?
- 4 A I'm sorry?
- 5 Q Well, can a voice customer decide where its
- 6 -- what number it will be using?
- 7 A I believe that would be up to the --
- 8 between that customer and the carrier from which it's
- 9 receiving its services.
- 10 Q And is that sometimes called nomadic VoIP,
- 11 where you can travel anywhere and use that number?
- 12 A I do not know anything about nomadic VoIP,
- 13 sir.
- 14 O So you don't know if the numbers that are
- 15 reported on Schedules JWH10 through 14 include
- 16 nomadic VoIP?
- 17 A No. I do know that the numbers that are
- 18 summarized in JWH9 which appear in the copies of the
- 19 raw reports, I do know for a fact they are not
- 20 roaming VoIP numbers. They are land line, hard-wired
- 21 numbers to our end users, the originating calls.
- I can't tell you much about the

- 1 terminating points.
- 2 MR. MOORE: That's all I have.
- 3 JUDGE MORAN: I have a few questions.
- 4 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 5 BY
- JUDGE MORAN:
- 7 Q I'm looking at your Schedule 1, your
- 8 Schedule 2, your Schedule 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, none
- 9 of which are proprietary.
- 10 A Okay.
- 11 Q Do you have them?
- 12 A I believe I do.
- 13 Q It's all these great diagrams, mostly
- 14 charts. And I just really want you to walk me
- 15 through them.
- 16 A Yes.
- Q Okay? How about that?
- 18 A Certainly, your Honor.
- 19 O Let's start with 1.
- 20 A Schedule 1 illustrates primarily the
- 21 function of a facility.
- Now, this facility, and I believe I

- 1 have it labeled as a DS3 here, it could be anything.
- 2 It could be an OC3, an OC12, just about anything. It
- 3 can be copper, fiber, even microwave. But typically,
- 4 it shows that it connects two points on a network.
- Now, if we assume that office A and
- 6 office B are AT&T buildings, then this facility is
- 7 connecting two points on AT&T's network.
- 8 Q Okay. And the facility is what, owned by
- 9 AT&T or --
- 10 A Yes, your Honor, that facility would be
- owned solely by AT&T. And it would be used to
- 12 provision trunk groups between -- at least between
- 13 these two switches. There might be trunk groups
- 14 connecting other switches but they would be our
- 15 switches and they would go over that --
- 16 0 But the switches here are not connected?
- A No, ma'am.
- 18 Q Okay. Thank you. The next schedule?
- 19 A All right. JWH2, I have shown that these
- 20 two switches have been connected with a trunk group.
- 21 And we'll just call that trunk group A to B, and you
- 22 can see where the -- that Switch A, the trunk group

- 1 is connected at trunk ports and then it goes over
- that facility. Now, by that, we mean it's
- 3 provisioned over that facility; in other words,
- 4 there's bandwidth within that facility that has been
- 5 dedicated just for this trunk group. And it
- 6 continues on and terminates at trunk ports in
- 7 Switch B.
- 8 Q Okay. So now, here, the switches are
- 9 connected?
- 10 A Yes, your Honor.
- 11 Q Okay. And we're still talking about two
- offices that are owned by AT&T?
- 13 A If you will, yes.
- 14 Q Just to give them some -- okay.
- Then Schedule 3 is your trunk
- 16 quantity?
- 17 A Yes, your Honor.
- 18 Q How does that relate?
- 19 A Throughout the telecommunications industry,
- there's what's known as the beer analogy, where one
- 21 zero is equal to one trunk. Think of that as one
- 22 beer, one can of beer, not to offend anyone here.

- 1 Then a DS1 is a case of beer or 24
- 2 trunks. And then a DS3, now you have to have a
- 3 pickup with 28 cases loaded in the back. And then it
- 4 goes on.
- 5 Q Okay. All right. Schedule 4, it says call
- 6 flow for a Global Illinois call delivered by an AT&T
- 7 Illinois end user. How does that work?
- 8 A If we receive a call from Global Illinois,
- 9 that call will come through from their switch and it
- 10 goes over --
- 11 Q Are we starting from the left side of the
- 12 page or the right side?
- 13 A From the right side. I apologize.
- 14 O That's okay.
- 15 A And I have a little cloud over there
- 16 because we don't know what their network is, who
- 17 interconnects with them, we just can't see that.
- So they receive a call that's coming
- in destined for our AT&T Harvey end user.
- 20 O Okay.
- 21 A Now, this call will go over a trunk group,
- 22 and in this instance, I was -- I believe in my

- 1 testimony, I was referring to a direct end office
- 2 trunk group, which is the acronym, all caps, DEOT
- 3 refers to a trunk group that would go from their
- 4 switch to one of our end office switches.
- 5 And this trunk group goes over, it's
- 6 provisioned over a DS3 that goes from their Oak Brook
- 7 building --
- 8 Q Do you mind if I come and --
- 9 A I'm sorry, your Honor.
- 11 to -- and certainly anyone else that wants to step up
- 12 here.
- 13 A All right. I apologize, your Honor.
- 14 O That's all right.
- 15 A They receive a call from wherever, and then
- 16 they see that their switch translates and says that
- 17 this call is destined for this end user in the Harvey
- 18 end office, the AT&T Illinois Harvey end user. All
- 19 right.
- 20 So they route that call to -- they
- 21 have a direct end office trunk group from their
- 22 switch to our Harvey end office. That call is routed

- 1 over that trunk group.
- Now, it rides the facility, the DS3
- 3 that they have established from their building over
- 4 to the LaGrange building.
- 5 Q Okay.
- 6 A And then -- and that's the point of
- 7 interconnection. Now, this is their facility, and
- 8 from this point on out to Harvey, the facility over
- 9 which that trunk group is provisioned, well, that is
- 10 our facility.
- 11 Q Okay. So the point of interconnection is
- 12 right here?
- 13 A Yes, ma'am.
- 14 O Okay.
- 15 A And it goes on and it gets to the switch.
- 16 And then the Harvey switch terminates the call to
- 17 that end user.
- 18 Q Okay. If I can stay here for the next
- 19 schedule.
- 20 A Certainly.
- 21 Q There's a lot of testimony about this SONET
- 22 ring?

- 1 A That would be what, 5?
- 2 Q Yes.
- 3 A Okay.
- 4 Q Where is this SONET ring in connection to
- 5 this? Or would it show up on Schedule 4?
- 6 A Well, this is a -- just an example of what
- 7 a ring looks like, a SONET ring, a true SONET ring.
- And as I've indicated in my testimony,
- 9 there are four points, you know, buildings A, B, C
- 10 and D.
- 11 Q Right.
- 12 A And there is a true SONET ring that
- 13 connects all of these points.
- Now, the beauty of SONET is that
- whenever a trunk group is established, let's say from
- 16 like B to D, if -- that trunk group can be
- 17 provisioned over the SONET either way, from here or
- this way, and it can be done so from a remote
- 19 location, say at an administrative building or
- 20 something, a center of some type.
- Now, if it is provisioned, let's say,
- this way, going from B to D through C.

- 1 Q Yes.
- 2 A And suppose a backhoe, they're doing some
- 3 construction work, and they dig up the cable between
- 4 B and C, well, that disrupts the continuity between B
- 5 and D, but that can be routed, and in many cases, it
- 6 can be automatically routed from B through A to D.
- 7 And that's the beauty of the SONET.
- 8 Q But SONET is a physical facility?
- 9 A Yes, it is. It's fiber optics that are --
- 10 the way it was explained to me, your Honor, about 15,
- 11 16 years ago was that you have a Chevrolet car and
- 12 you have a Chevrolet engine in it, that would be
- 13 regular fiber.
- 14 O Okay.
- 15 A But then you take out that Chevrolet engine
- 16 and you put a Cadillac engine in it and put it in
- 17 that car, now you have a Chevrolet car with a
- 18 Cadillac engine. It's much more efficient, it -- and
- it enables any type of -- any other vendor's
- 20 equipment can be interconnected with this, and you
- 21 don't have any problems with the two types of
- 22 technology talking with each other.

- 1 Q Okay. But this SONET ring is -- would this
- 2 appear anywhere on this illustration is what I guess
- 3 I'm trying to get to?
- 4 A Yes. Yes.
- 5 Q Okay. Where?
- 6 A Well, I don't believe we have a very good
- 7 show, but in our Oak Brook building, that would be
- 8 somewhere in here. There is ring architecture
- 9 between -- at some point between LaGrange and the Oak
- 10 Brook building. From the Oak Brook building to their
- 11 Oak Brook building, we had to use loop facilities.
- 12 We didn't have interoffice facilities. And from here
- 13 to here.
- 14 O Okay. But somewhere around your LaGrange
- 15 building is this SONET architecture?
- 16 A Yes. Yes.
- 17 Q Okay. All right.
- Now, you also on Schedule 6 talk about
- an add-drop near change SONET?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q Okay. Can you --
- 22 A That's very useful when you're talking

- 1 about remote offices. Let's say office A is in a
- 2 major metropolitan area, such as in Chicago. B is
- 3 one of the outlying offices, so it's deeply
- 4 interconnected with the rest of our network in
- 5 Chicago.
- 6 But then there might be two other
- 7 offices in little towns, and I apologize, I can't
- 8 come up with any names right now.
- 9 Q That's okay.
- 10 A But they are what we refer to as
- 11 single-thread offices; in other words, there's just
- 12 one cable that goes out to them. We can still
- 13 utilize SONET between those offices so that we can
- 14 have the ability to change assignments and things
- 15 like that.
- 16 Q Okay. And this point-to-point on
- 17 Schedule 7 is again a different architecture, a
- 18 different SONET architecture?
- 19 A It's still SONET, but it has been changed
- 20 to be used between two network points and in the case
- 21 of a -- typically in the case of another carrier.
- 22 And the main difference is that this

- 1 carrier cannot access any point on this carrier's
- 2 network, nor can -- if this was AT&T, nor can AT&T
- 3 access, and hopefully it would be an inadvertent
- 4 access if it was, but no one can mess up the other
- 5 guy's network.
- 6 Q Okay. You have these circles here with
- 7 these two arrows, what is that?
- 8 A That just symbolizes SONET.
- 9 Q Oh, okay. All right.
- 10 A It doesn't do anything special, it just
- 11 separates it from the fact that it's SONET.
- 12 Q It doesn't describe any kind of paths or
- 13 anything?
- 14 A Yes, your Honor.
- 15 Q Schedule 8?
- 16 A Yes. All right. And this is --
- 17 Q What is Schedule 8?
- 18 A This is more -- this gets down to a lower
- 19 level from what I described on that other page to
- 20 you. This shows --
- Q Which other page? This Page 1 that --
- 22 A Yes.

- 1 O Or Schedule 4?
- 2 A Yes. I don't show the AT&T Oak Brook
- 3 tandem here because it's really not -- you know,
- 4 there are two types of SONET involved.
- 5 We have the AT&T LaGrange tandem
- 6 building here and it's connected by an OC48 to the
- 7 AT&T Oak Brook building.
- Now, I'm only showing one single line,
- 9 but there are diverse routes, you know, between those
- 10 buildings.
- 11 Q Okay.
- 12 A And then from the Oak Brook, AT&T Oak Brook
- 13 building I've shown in OC48 point-to-point linear
- 14 chain, which is provisioned over our loop facility
- 15 out to their building site.
- 16 O Okay. And this line here?
- 17 A That came up on the -- for some reason,
- 18 that showed up when I scanned it into --
- 19 Q Okay. So it doesn't mean anything?
- 20 A No, ma'am, I didn't draw that line. That
- 21 came up by itself.
- 22 Q Okay. Thank you very much.

- 1 JUDGE MORAN: I have no further questions for
- 2 Mr. Hamiter.
- 3 MR. HARVEY: Staff has nothing for the witness.
- 4 MR. GERMANN: I have just a few redirect
- 5 questions.
- 6 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 7 BY
- 8 MR. GERMANN:
- 9 Q Mr. Hamiter, you discussed earlier the
- 10 fiber facilities that connect AT&T Illinois' networks
- 11 to Global NAPs Illinois' network.
- Now, within that fiber facility, are
- 13 there any fiber strands that are dedicated to Global
- 14 NAPs?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 O And where are those?
- 17 A That would be the actual fiber strands in
- 18 the loop facilities that we borrowed from the loop
- 19 facilities from our Oak Brook building out to their
- 20 location.
- 21 Q And do other carriers use those strands?
- 22 A Not those particular strands, but there are

- 1 other customers that utilize other strands within
- 2 that fiber cable.
- 3 Q Now, if you could take a look at Schedule
- 4 JWH8?
- 5 A I'm drowning in schedules over here. Here
- 6 we go.
- 7 Q Now, you show here over on the left-hand
- 8 side, you show -- between the AT&T LaGrange tandem
- 9 and the AT&T Oak Brook building, you show an AT&T
- 10 OC48 interoffice SONET ring; is that correct?
- 11 A Yes, sir.
- 12 Q And over on the right-hand side between the
- 13 AT&T Oak Brook building and the G-NAPs Oak Brook
- 14 building, you show an AT&T OC48 point-to-point linear
- 15 chain?
- 16 A Yes, sir.
- 17 Q What's the difference between a SONET ring
- 18 and a linear chain?
- 19 A Well, a SONET ring is you can see in
- 20 Schedule JWH5, it has a ring-type appearance, a true
- 21 circular appearance.
- There are what we refer to as

- 1 collapsed rings that are still -- it would be a
- 2 point-to-point, but it still has the communications
- 3 channel opened so that remote changes to the facility
- 4 assignments and things like that can be performed.
- 5 A point-to-point linear chain, any one
- 6 similar to what we have between our Oak Brook
- 7 building and their Oak Brook building, that is a --
- 8 like it says, it's just a linear point-to-point, but
- 9 the communications channel has not -- it's been
- 10 disabled so that neither carrier on the other -- on
- 11 either end of that chain can access or change
- 12 anything beyond the other carrier's location.
- 13 Q Now, I believe you testified that there are
- 14 DS3s established over these SONET fiber facilities,
- 15 correct?
- 16 A Right.
- 17 Q What is the difference between a DS3 and a
- 18 fiber facility?
- 19 A Well, a DS3 represents bandwidth that can
- 20 be found on the actual fiber.
- 21 Q Is DS3 a service provided over the fiber?
- 22 A Yes.

- 1 Q And then are there any other services or
- 2 facilities established over the DS3s?
- 3 A Well, yes, there are some customers that
- 4 can come in and request a DS1 or they can just
- 5 request a simple DSO in the case of a bank that wants
- 6 a burglar alarm circuit established between one of
- 7 its branches and its protection agency.
- 8 O And then how do trunks fit into the
- 9 picture?
- 10 A Well, trunks -- this OC48 between our
- 11 LaGrange tandem and our Oak Brook building, that is
- 12 part of our interoffice facility network; in other
- 13 words, it connects two points in our network. And we
- 14 use that facility to establish trunks between
- 15 switches that are in our network.
- 16 But we also use that to provide any
- 17 type of service over those facilities that a -- say a
- 18 bank customer that wants a burglar alarm circuit, we
- 19 call those special service circuits, or perhaps
- 20 someone that wants a high cap line at their house,
- 21 they would get a DS1.
- These are used for many applications.

- 1 Primarily they were established to interconnect
- 2 points on our network. That's why we call them
- 3 interoffice facilities.
- 4 Q So are trunks provisioned over DS3s?
- 5 A Well, yes, a trunk group -- a trunk -- a
- 6 single DSO is provisioned over a DS1. And if there's
- 7 more than 24 trunks in a trunk group, then it is
- 8 provisioned over two DS1s that are both on a DS3.
- 9 One last question, Mr. Hamiter. Is it your
- 10 understanding that Global NAPs Illinois agreed that
- 11 the point of interconnection would be at AT&T
- 12 Illinois' tandem switch in LaGrange?
- 13 A Definitely, yes, sir.
- 14 MR. GERMANN: No further questions, your Honor.
- 15 JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 16 Any recross?
- 17 RECROSS-EXAMINATION
- 18 BY
- 19 MR. MOORE:
- 20 O Just that last statement. And the basis of
- 21 your opinion is the amendment to the interconnection
- 22 agreement?

- 1 A It is my understanding that it is both the
- 2 -- we established the POI at LaGrange based on the
- 3 interim and the amendment to the interim agreement.
- 4 And it was -- it should have been carried over to the
- 5 interconnection agreement.
- 6 Q I guess my question is, there's no other
- 7 documents besides the interconnection agreement that
- 8 you're referring to when you say Global NAPs agreed
- 9 that the POI should be in LaGrange?
- 10 A I'm also referring to that interim
- 11 agreement, sir.
- 12 Q Well, what I mean, yeah, the interim
- 13 agreement and the --
- 14 A And the interconnection agreement, yes,
- 15 sir.
- 16 Q And the interconnection agreement. Okay.
- 17 MR. MOORE: No other questions.
- 18 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. I have nothing further.
- 19 Staff?
- 20 MR. HARVEY: Nothing from staff, your Honor.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. With that, you're
- 22 dismissed, Mr. Hamiter. Thank you so much.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Thank you, your Honor.
- 2 MR. BINNIG: Your Honor, we would be happy to
- 3 call our next witness unless you would like to take a
- 4 five-minute break.
- JUDGE MORAN: We can take a five-minute break.
- 6 And then the next witness would be?
- 7 MR. BINNIG: Ms. Patricia Pellerin.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 9 Is Mr. Noack still on the --
- 10 MR. Noack: Your Honor, I'm here.
- JUDGE MORAN: Oh, great. Thank you.
- 12 Is that okay with you, that we take a
- 13 few-minute break?
- 14 MR. Noack: Yes.
- 15 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Stay on.
- 16 (Whereupon, a recess was taken.)
- JUDGE MORAN: If you would like to present your
- 18 next witness please.
- 19 MR. BINNIG: Yes, your Honor. For our next
- 20 witness, we have brought Patricia H. Pellerin to the
- 21 stand.

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- 2 PATRICIA H. PELLERIN,
- 3 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 4 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 6 BY
- 7 MR. BINNIG:
- 8 Q Could you state your full name and business
- 9 address for the record please.
- 10 A My name is Patricia H. Pellerin. My
- 11 business address is 1441 North Colony Road, Meriden,
- 12 Connecticut.
- 13 Q All right. And do you have with you today
- 14 what's been marked as AT&T Illinois Exhibit 1.0, the
- direct testimony of Patricia H. Pellerin?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q And does that Ameritech Illinois Exhibit
- 18 1.0, in addition to the typed questions and answers,
- 19 also include Schedules PHP1 through PHP18?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q And are any of those schedules or any
- 22 provision of the testimony confidential or

- 1 proprietary?
- 2 A No, it's all public.
- 3 Q Now, let's -- turning first to the
- 4 testimony section of AT&T Illinois Exhibit 1.0, was
- 5 this prepared by you or under your direction and
- 6 supervision?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q Do you have any corrections or changes to
- 9 make to the typed questions and answers portion of
- 10 this exhibit?
- 11 A Yes, I do.
- 12 Q Could you run through those briefly.
- 13 JUDGE MORAN: This is 1.0?
- 14 MR. BINNIG: This is 1.0, your Honor.
- THE WITNESS: Yes, on Page 13, and it's
- 16 Lines 282 through 287. Starting on Line 283, change
- 17 Section 7 to Section 21. The next line after
- 18 services, delete the comma and insert in "the
- 19 metropolitan statistical areas," and in parentheses
- 20 "MSA."
- 21 BY MR. BINNIG:
- 22 Q Parentheses, then quote marks, and then --

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 "In which AT&T Illinois has received
- 3 price flexibility."
- 4 And then at the end of that sentence,
- 5 change Section 7.5 to Section 21.5.
- 6 At the end of the following sentence,
- 7 change 7.5.9(C) to 21.5.2.7(C). And it's capital C
- 8 in parentheses.
- 9 And at the end of that sentence,
- 10 change Schedule PHP3 to Revised Schedule PHP3. And
- 11 that is all.
- MR. BINNIG: And your Honor, we did circulate
- 13 an e-mail last night of the testimony with the
- 14 corrections in it.
- 15 BY MR. BINNIG:
- 16 Q Did you also prepare a revised
- 17 Schedule PHP3?
- 18 A Yes, I did.
- 19 Q With the changes that you just indicated,
- 20 if I were to ask you the questions set forth in AT&T
- 21 Illinois Exhibit 1.0, would your answers be the same
- 22 as reflected in the exhibit?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And with respect to Exhibit PHP1 -- or
- 3 Schedule PHP1 through PHP18, including Revised
- 4 Schedule PHP3, were those schedules prepared by you
- 5 or under your supervision and direction?
- A Yes, they were.
- 8 purport to reflect?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q Let's move now to schedule -- or AT&T
- 11 Illinois Exhibit 1.1.
- Do you have that?
- 13 A Yes, I do.
- 14 Q And is this your rebuttal testimony in this
- 15 proceeding?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q Was it prepared by you or under your
- 18 supervision and direction?
- 19 A Yes.
- 21 the question and answer portion of AT&T Illinois
- 22 Exhibit 1.1?

- 1 A No, I don't.
- 2 Q And as part of AT&T Exhibit 1.1, have you
- 3 prepared any schedules?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q And those are Schedules PHP19 through
- 6 PHP31?
- 7 A That's right.
- 8 Q Do you have any changes or corrections to
- 9 any of those schedules?
- 10 A No.
- 11 Q Do those schedules accurately reflect what
- they purport to reflect?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 O Are any of those schedules confidential?
- 15 A Yes, PHP19 and PHP20 are both confidential.
- 16 Q And have you prepared both a public version
- 17 and a confidential version of AT&T Illinois
- 18 Exhibit 1.1?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q I would like to next turn your attention to
- 21 what's been marked as AT&T Illinois Exhibit 1.2. Is
- 22 this your surrebuttal testimony in this proceeding?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q Was it prepared by you or under your
- 3 supervision and direction?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q Do you have any changes or corrections to
- 6 make to AT&T Illinois Exhibit 1.2?
- 7 A No, I don't.
- 8 Q And did you prepare any schedules or attach
- 9 any schedules to AT&T Illinois Exhibit 1.2?
- 10 A Yes, I did.
- 11 O And those are PHP32 through PHP35?
- 12 A That's right.
- 13 Q Do those schedules accurately reflect what
- they purport to reflect?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And are any of those schedules or any of
- 17 the testimony in AT&T Illinois Exhibit 1.2
- 18 confidential or proprietary?
- 19 A No.
- 20 Q If I were to ask you the questions that are
- 21 set forth in AT&T Illinois Exhibits 1.1 and 1.2
- today, would your answers be the same as reflected in

- 1 those exhibits?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 MR. BINNIG: With that, your Honor, we would
- 4 move for admission of AT&T Illinois Exhibits 1.0, 1.1
- 5 and 1.2, along with the schedules, Schedules PHP1
- 6 through PHP35, inclusive.
- 7 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Are there any objections
- 8 to the admission?
- 9 MR. HARVEY: None from staff, your Honor.
- 10 MR. MOORE: None from Global NAPs.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. With that, AT&T Exhibit
- 12 1.0 with attachments 1 through 18 are admitted. AT&T
- 13 Exhibit 1.1, both the public and confidential
- investigation, with PHP19, PHP20, being confidential,
- 15 PHP21 to 31, being public, are all admitted. And
- 16 AT&T Illinois Exhibit 1.2, the surrebuttal testimony,
- 17 with attachments PHP32 to 35, are all admitted as
- 18 stated.
- 19 And the witness, I assume, is
- 20 available for cross-examination.
- MR. BINNIG: Yes, your Honor.
- JUDGE MORAN: Thank you.

- 1 And who wishes to do cross-examination
- 2 first?
- 3 MR. MOORE: I'll go first.
- 4 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 5 BY
- 6 MR. MOORE:
- 7 Q Ms. Pellerin, I'm Steve Moore. I'd like to
- 8 go into a little bit of the history, if we could.
- 9 The way the -- back when Global NAPs
- 10 first wanted to provide service, it contacted AT&T
- 11 and asked to connect to its network. And AT&T chose
- to use a SONET to do so; is that correct?
- 13 A What I understand is that Global requested
- 14 interconnection from AT&T and the parties entered
- 15 negotiations.
- 16 Q Now, the SONET that was used to connect the
- 17 two parties was an existing facility; is that
- 18 correct?
- 19 A My understanding is that there was fiber in
- 20 place, yes.
- 21 Q And that fiber went all the way into the
- 22 Global NAPs building, and in fact the fiber

- 1 distribution frame was already in that building; is
- 2 that correct?
- 3 A I don't know that.
- 4 Q You don't know, you say?
- 5 A That's right, I don't know.
- 6 Q Okay. So you don't know if -- or do you
- 7 know if that SONET was used to provide service to a
- 8 company called Prism?
- 9 A I don't know the specifics of that. It's
- 10 my understanding that there was fiber into that
- 11 building in place that may have been used by someone
- 12 else, but I'm not familiar with the details.
- 13 Q Now, after the -- beyond the -- I'm sorry,
- 14 let me rephrase this.
- 15 After the fiber distribution frame,
- 16 are there any other facilities AT&T needed to provide
- in order to turn up service with Global NAPs?
- 18 A I'm not familiar with the technical aspects
- 19 of what was required for interconnection.
- 20 Q Well, let me ask you this: AT&T would not
- 21 provide service until Global NAPs ordered DS3s; is
- 22 that correct?

- 1 A I don't know that I would characterize it
- 2 as AT&T would not provide service unless.
- 3 The parties entered interconnection
- 4 agreement negotiations in 2001. Apparently, it was
- 5 evident that they weren't going to reach agreement
- 6 and it was going to go into arbitration. And Global
- 7 wanted to get into business sooner, so the parties
- 8 engaged in negotiations for an interim agreement,
- 9 which was signed in, I believe, January of 2002 that
- 10 covered Illinois along with a couple of other states.
- 11 And then that interim agreement was amended in May of
- 12 2002.
- 13 Q And subsequent to the application of -- you
- 14 know, the entry of those agreements, would AT&T have
- 15 provided service to Global NAPs without Global NAPs
- 16 ordering trunks?
- 17 A The ordering of trunks is for the actual
- 18 traffic to be exchanged between party switches or
- 19 between any two switches. And without the trunks,
- there's going to be no traffic flowing.
- 21 Q Now, even though the SONET is installed,
- 22 the fiber distribution frame is there, the parties

- 1 have done all the technical connections, until a
- trunk is ordered, AT&T would not provide service?
- 3 A It's not a matter that AT&T would not
- 4 provide service. Unless a trunk is activated, no
- 5 calls can be exchanged between the party switches.
- 6 Q And those trunks, by the way, are running
- 7 over the existing SONET point-to-point network,
- 8 correct?
- 9 A They ride over facilities, yes.
- 10 Q So again, when Global NAPs orders a trunk,
- 11 AT&T isn't installing a new piece of equipment, it's
- 12 simply turning up a trunk on the existing side?
- 13 A I don't even know the technical aspects in
- 14 terms of turning up a trunk on a SONET. What I
- 15 understand of trunks is that they are in the
- 16 switches, not in the physical facilities or even in
- 17 the optical equipment necessarily that connects those
- 18 physical components of the network, that a trunk is a
- 19 port in a switch with translations that actually
- 20 allow the calls to be exchanged.
- Q Okay.
- 22 A You could have all the facilities and

- 1 infrastructure in the world, but without the trunks
- 2 being activated in the switches, no calls would be
- 3 exchanged.
- 4 Q When you say "switches," do you mean both
- 5 the Global NAPs switch and the AT&T switch or just
- 6 the AT&T switch?
- 7 A You have to have a connection on both ends,
- 8 so Global would have to assign a switch port and its
- 9 switch for a particular trunk port and AT&T would
- 10 have to assign a trunk port in its switch, as well,
- 11 so the two ends are connected.
- 12 Q Now, if AT&T is responsible for all their
- 13 facilities on its side of the POI, why would Global
- 14 NAPs need to order trunk groups on the AT&T switch?
- 15 A Trunk groups are totally independent of the
- 16 POI. The POI relates to the facilities and the
- 17 physical connection between the parties' networks.
- 18 As I said, the trunks and the trunk
- 19 groups are associated with connecting the switches so
- 20 that calls can be exchanged between the parties'
- 21 customers. It's independent of the facilities.
- 22 You have to have the facilities in

- 1 place in order to establish the trunks.
- 2 Q Let's assume for a moment that the POI is
- 3 determined in this case to be at the fiber
- 4 distribution frame within the Global NAPs facility,
- 5 what charges that are the subject of this case would
- 6 still apply?
- 7 A Hypothetically, and I have to qualify that
- 8 because, obviously, AT&T clearly does not agree that
- 9 the POI is at the Oak Brook location in the fiber
- 10 distribution.
- 11 Q It's a hypothetical question.
- MR. BINNIG: Nor does it agree that that's an
- issue the Commission can address in this proceeding,
- 14 but go ahead.
- THE WITNESS: Hypothetically, Global NAPs would
- 16 be responsible for all of the charges that AT&T seeks
- 17 recovery.
- The DS3 charges are for DS3 services
- 19 that Global NAPs ordered pursuant to the access
- 20 tariff and that AT&T provisioned.
- 21 So pursuant to the tariff, I'm not an
- 22 attorney, but it's my understanding that they are

- obligated to pay for what they ordered and what AT&T
- provisioned under that tariff.
- 3 The usage charges are independent of
- 4 where the POI is. And so the intra-LATA toll
- 5 charges, the reciprocal compensation charges and the
- 6 transit charges are all based on usage, which are not
- 7 related to the location of the POI, so those would
- 8 also be obligations of Global.
- 9 BY MR. MOORE:
- 10 Q So are there any charges that would not
- 11 apply if the POI was determined to be at the Global
- 12 NAPs Oak Brook facility?
- 13 A Not charges that AT&T is currently seeking
- 14 to recover. Now, it's entirely possible that if the
- 15 Commission were to determine that the POI was
- somewhere other than where it is, then prospectively
- 17 something different might happen. I don't know.
- 18 JUDGE MORAN: Let me clarify this in my own
- 19 mind. You're saying regardless of where the POI is,
- 20 where -- AT&T takes the position that it's at the
- 21 LaGrange facility, right?
- 22 THE WITNESS: Yes.

- 1 JUDGE MORAN: And Global is taking the position
- 2 that it's at their facility in La Grange?
- 3 MR. MOORE: Oak Brook.
- 4 JUDGE MORAN: I mean Oak Brook.
- The charges would be the same?
- 6 THE WITNESS: Because they ordered DS3 services
- 7 from our tariff.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 9 THE WITNESS: The other thing, too, is that
- 10 there is a clear provision in the interconnection
- 11 agreement that states that the POI is at AT&T's
- 12 location. In the network interconnection methods
- appendix in, I believe it's Section 3.4.7.4, it
- 14 clearly says the POI is at AT&T's location. So I
- 15 don't see that the --
- 16 JUDGE MORAN: That's the interconnection
- 17 agreement that was arbitrated?
- 18 THE WITNESS: Yes. And that language was never
- 19 in dispute.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 21 BY MR. MOORE:
- Q Now, if Global had not ordered the DS3s,

- 1 there could not have been service then; is that
- 2 correct?
- 3 Is there any other way to order a
- 4 trunk group besides ordering, in this case, a DS3?
- 5 A Well, I think I need to clarify again. And
- 6 I think you keep confusing trunk groups from the
- 7 DS3s. Put the trunk groups aside because those are
- 8 not at issue here. There's not any charges we're
- 9 seeking to recover for trunk groups.
- 10 Q Well, let me ask you this, then: Is it
- 11 possible to order a trunk group without ordering
- 12 DS3s?
- 13 A There have to be facilities in place.
- 14 Whether you have to order DS3s or not to make those
- 15 happen, that's another matter.
- 16 Q Well, we have a SONET in place, that's a
- 17 facility, right?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And is it possible for AT&T to provide
- 20 trunk groups without ordering anything else?
- 21 A It's unclear to me from your hypothetical
- 22 question in terms of who would actually be ordering

- 1 what.
- 2 But let me step back a minute and
- 3 maybe I can help clarify that for you.
- If we go back in time to 2002 or 2003
- or 2004, whenever it was that Global first ordered
- 6 the DS3s, if Global felt and believed that it was not
- 7 obligated to order those DS3s, then it could have
- 8 sought the assistance of the Commission at that time
- 9 to resolve the issue around who was responsible.
- 10 And in fact, the parties had agreed in
- 11 their interim amendment that if Global wanted to
- 12 question where the POI was and wanted the POI to be
- 13 at their location, that they would seek assistance or
- 14 seek a decision from the Commission to specifically
- 15 find at that time that the POI was at Global's
- 16 location.
- 17 Global did not do that. So the terms
- 18 of the interim agreement, the interim amendment and
- 19 the related interconnection agreement, those terms
- 20 all provide that in the event that Global did not
- 21 seek Commission assistance, Commission intervention,
- 22 a decision that the POI was at their location, then

- 1 Global would be responsible for the facilities
- 2 pursuant to or at rates commemorate with AT&T's
- 3 interstate access rates.
- 4 And the interconnection agreement that
- 5 we're currently operating under is consistent with
- 6 that. The interim amendment specifically -- or the
- 7 interim agreement, I forget which is which,
- 8 specifically referred to Design 4 of the
- 9 interconnection agreement language, which had been
- 10 presented in the arbitration.
- 11 That language was not in dispute at
- that time, and Design 4 is that network
- interconnection methods appendix Section 3.4.7.4,
- 14 that's where Design 4 is laid out, that specifically
- 15 says the POI is at SBC's and now AT&T's location.
- 16 So Global had ample opportunity to
- 17 seek assistance from the Commission if it did not
- 18 believe it was required to order those DS3s in order
- 19 for the interconnection to take place.
- 20 O Well, after Global NAPs executed the
- 21 amendment to the interim agreement, the Commission
- 22 entered its arbitration order and said Global NAPs

- 1 can connect at any feasible point on AT&T's network,
- 2 correct?
- 3 A The issue with -- Issue 1 in that
- 4 arbitration, as I recall, had to do with whether
- 5 Global was entitled to have a single point of
- 6 interconnection. And the decision on Issue 1 was,
- 7 yes, they could have a single point of
- 8 interconnection.
- 9 The question with Issue 2 for the
- 10 arbitration, which is the one that's really only
- 11 directly relevant here, is who's responsible to pay
- 12 for the facilities on each side of the POI, an issue
- 13 to resolve that each party's responsible on their own
- 14 side of the POI. There wasn't a question in the
- arbitration as to where that POI would be.
- 16 Q But the POI gave Global NAPs the authority
- 17 to determine it at any feasible point on AT&T's
- 18 network, correct?
- 19 MR. BINNIG: I'm going to object. I think this
- 20 is now calling for legal conclusion or legal opinion.
- JUDGE MORAN: Are you referring back to this
- 22 Cross-Exhibit 1?

- 1 MR. MOORE: Yes.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. And what I'm not clear
- 3 about is this Cross-Exhibit 1 is on one of the issues
- 4 in the arbitration order?
- 5 MR. MOORE: Yes.
- 6 JUDGE MORAN: Would this be Issue 1 of this
- 7 arbitration?
- 8 MR. MOORE: I believe it's Issues 1 and 2.
- 9 Yes, Issues 1 and 2.
- 10 JUDGE MORAN: It's both Issues 1 and 2?
- 11 MR. MOORE: Yes.
- 12 As you can see in paragraph -- Issue 1
- 13 appears to be resolved, as to Issue 2, the Commission
- 14 is of the opinion. So those are the first two
- 15 issues.
- 16 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Can you show this to the
- 17 witness, and then let me ask you something.
- 18 MR. MOORE: Do you have Cross-Exhibit 1 in
- 19 front of you?
- THE WITNESS: No, I don't, I wasn't being
- 21 crossed.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. This is Global NAPs

- 1 Cross-Exhibit 1, Hamiter.
- MR. BINNIG: Your Honor, we're happy to
- 3 stipulate that this page of the order says what it
- 4 says. One of the problems here is that I think we're
- 5 getting into legal argument about what that means.
- And in addition, we're missing the
- 7 rest of the order, including the portion of the order
- 8 that defines exactly what the issues are.
- 9 JUDGE MORAN: I'm a little concerned about that
- 10 myself because I don't know what else is in the
- 11 order.
- 12 MR. MOORE: Your Honor, I can provide --
- 13 JUDGE MORAN: I also -- and I would put this
- 14 question to you because I haven't done one of these
- in a zillion years, but following the Commission's
- 16 arbitration order, is not the agreement amended in
- 17 compliance therewith?
- 18 Perhaps someone should explain that to
- 19 me.
- 20 MR. BINNIG: I think what you're saying, your
- 21 Honor, is that there is an arbitration decision.
- 22 JUDGE MORAN: Right.

- 1 MR. BINNIG: But the actual agreement is
- 2 something different that is then submitted to the
- 3 Commission for approval under 252E, and there's a
- 4 separate approval order of that agreement. And that
- 5 agreement becomes the binding effective agreement
- 6 between the parties.
- 7 JUDGE MORAN: Yes. And so, how would this page
- 8 relate to the ultimate agreement? Do you know what
- 9 I'm saying?
- 10 I'm saying we don't have a complete
- information on this particular point, because here's
- 12 certain language that actually guides the final
- 13 agreement, and yet, we don't have that agreement or
- 14 that language to see how this was put into effect.
- And that's, I guess, my problem here.
- MR. MOORE: That's all part of the record, so
- 17 we can brief that and --
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. And that's why I'm saying
- 19 it's unfair to give this witness just a partial
- 20 rendition on this issue and expect her to be able to
- 21 give you or me a good answer on this.
- MR. MOORE: I'll withdraw the question and we

- 1 can move on.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 3 BY MR. MOORE:
- 4 Q Now, did AT&T consistently throughout this
- 5 period charge Global at the DS3 rate?
- 6 Do you know if there was any time when
- 7 for whatever reason they did not charge them?
- 8 A I'm not aware of all the bills
- 9 specifically.
- 10 O So you don't know?
- 11 A It's my understanding that we have billed
- 12 for actually three of the four DS3s that Global
- 13 ordered. Why we didn't bill for one of them, I don't
- 14 know.
- 15 Q Now, these are billed under AT&T's special
- 16 access tariff; is that correct?
- 17 A Yes, and that relates to the correction
- 18 that I made on my testimony this morning.
- 19 Q And is that for local, toll or intrastate
- 20 access, which tariff?
- 21 A The ones that are at issue in this
- 22 proceeding are the four DS3s that Global ordered

- 1 pursuant to AT&T Illinois' intrastate access tariff,
- 2 Section 7 and Section 21.
- 3 Q If Global had designated those DS3s as
- 4 intrastate, then we would -- those charges would not
- 5 be before this Commission?
- 6 A That's right. There are seven other DS3s
- 7 that Global ordered pursuant to intrastate access
- 8 tariff that are not at issue in this proceeding.
- 9 Q Now, during your deposition during the case
- 10 that was before the Federal District Court in
- 11 Chicago, you were shown a series of e-mails from Brad
- 12 Osterman (phonetic) to Margaret Beata (phonetic) and
- others.
- 14 Did you review those e-mails or have
- 15 you reviewed those e-mails?
- 16 A For this case?
- 17 Q Yes.
- 18 A No.
- 19 Q Did you review them during that case --
- 20 proceeding?
- 21 A The only time I saw those e-mails was
- 22 during my deposition.

- 1 Q And it's your understanding that some of
- 2 those e-mails showed that at least one AT&T manager
- 3 did not believe there should be charges for these
- 4 DS3s; is that correct?
- 5 A And he was an AT&T manager who was not
- 6 responsible for the charges and whether they should
- 7 be or should not be. So in my view, he
- 8 inappropriately offered an opinion.
- 9 Q And you do not know, though, whether at
- 10 some point AT&T did not charge for those DS3s?
- 11 A As I indicated, I've been informed that we
- 12 have not charged for one of the four.
- 13 Q Okay. I would like to turn your attention
- 14 to your rebuttal testimony, Exhibit 1.1. Page 16
- 15 toward the middle of the page, Line 352 onward, you
- 16 are discussing a list of customers that Mr. Scheltma
- 17 had provided in his testimony.
- Do you recognize or know of the
- 19 companies that he provided in his testimony?
- 20 A I had seen a couple of the names before.
- 21 Q And do you know what sort of networks they
- 22 utilized to provide their service?

- 1 A Not specifically, no.
- 3 IP providers?
- 4 A No, I don't know that.
- 5 Q And just to be clear, you don't know either
- 6 way whether they are or are not?
- 7 A Right. I know that Global represents that
- 8 they are enhanced service providers. That may or may
- 9 not be VoIP.
- 10 Q But independent of what Global is saying,
- 11 you have no information either way whether they are
- 12 providing service over VoIP?
- 13 A I seem to recall looking at some of their
- 14 web sites where they talked about services that they
- 15 offer that included TDM, as well as Internet
- 16 protocol-type services.
- 17 Q So in other words, their websites indicated
- 18 that they use both types of networks?
- 19 A But gave no indication in terms of when or
- 20 under what circumstances or whether any of that had
- 21 anything to do with Global or not.
- 22 Q Okay. Now, the interconnection agreement

- 1 provided that Global NAPs should request that the
- 2 Commission establish the interconnection point if it
- 3 wanted to be at a place other than AT&T's tandem; is
- 4 that correct? I mean, that's your position?
- JUDGE MORAN: In what page?
- 6 MR. MOORE: It's more of a general, but I'll go
- 7 to the schedule.
- 8 BY MR. MOORE:
- 9 Q I mean, this is your reading of the
- 10 amendment to the interim interconnection agreement,
- 11 Schedule PHP2?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q If Global had done so, what standards would
- 14 the Commission have used to determine where the POI
- 15 should be?
- 16 A I don't know what standards they would use.
- 17 Q All right. That's all I have.
- 18 A I presume they would follow the law.
- 19 O Okay. Do you know if VoIP has both
- 20 interstate and intrastate components, I mean, it
- 21 could be either?
- 22 A If you're talking about the network, it's

- 1 an Internet network, it goes all over the place. I
- 2 suppose you could have a VoIP call that originated
- 3 and terminated within the same state. It might still
- 4 route to California, depending on how the carrier had
- 5 their network set up, I suppose.
- 6 Q So it's really not possible to separate the
- 7 intrastate component from the interstate when you're
- 8 using a VoIP network?
- 9 A Well, that's probably true, but the traffic
- 10 that we're talking about here is terminating on the
- 11 TDM network at AT&T or being transited through to
- 12 another carrier. And Mr. Hamiter provided testimony,
- 13 clear evidence that some number of the calls are
- 14 originating in TDM form, which means that at least
- some percentage of the traffic we have proven is not
- 16 VoIP.
- 17 Global has not offered no evidence to
- 18 indicate that any of it actually is.
- 19 Q Well, isn't it true that AT&T will only
- 20 accept traffic that is in TDM form?
- 21 A To complete to our end users and for
- 22 transit, yes, that's true.

- 1 O So a VoIP carrier has to translate it from
- 2 the Internet protocol into protocol AT&T will accept;
- 3 is that correct?
- 4 A Ultimately, yes. It does not mean that
- 5 it's not subject to terminating charges, however.
- 6 Q I would like to address your surrebuttal
- 7 testimony, Exhibit 1.2, actually just generically,
- 8 the issue of the request by AT&T to terminate the
- 9 certificate of Global NAPs.
- 10 Has AT&T received complaints from
- 11 customers of Global NAPs about its service?
- 12 A Not that I'm aware of, but I don't know
- what customers Global Illinois would have to complain
- 14 because they don't have any customers.
- 15 Q Have the end users of Global services ever
- 16 complained to AT&T that you know of?
- 17 A To the best of my knowledge, Global doesn't
- have any end users, so I don't know what kind of
- 19 complaints they'd be talking about.
- 20 Q Are there any customers that have been
- 21 using Global affiliate services that have complained
- 22 to AT&T?

- 1 A Not to my knowledge. We've disconnected
- 2 Global's services in five of our seven states where
- 3 they do business. And I'm not aware of any
- 4 complaints in any of those five states after we
- 5 disconnected them, that there was any issues.
- 6 Q And no complaints before either; is that
- 7 correct?
- 8 A No, but I don't think we're requesting that
- 9 the certifications be terminated due to customer
- 10 complaints.
- 11 MR. MOORE: That's all I have.
- 12 JUDGE MORAN: Thank you.
- 13 MR. HARVEY: I have a few, your Honor.
- 14 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 15 BY
- MR. HARVEY:
- Q Good morning, Ms. Pellerin. My name is
- 18 Matt Harvey and this is my colleague, Megan McNeill.
- 19 We represent the staff, and I don't think we've met
- 20 before. It's a pleasure. I just have a few
- 21 questions for you.
- 22 As I understand your job description,

- 1 you generally support the negotiation and formation
- of local interconnection agreements?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q And you guide compliance with federal
- 5 requirements in the execution and limitations of
- 6 those agreements?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q And you have done that here in Illinois for
- 9 some time?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q So would it be fair to say that you have
- 12 general knowledge regarding AT&T Illinois' policies
- and practices and procedures for the formation of
- interconnection agreements?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And for the implementation and execution of
- 17 those agreements?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 O And for the termination of those
- 20 agreements?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q Now, AT&T requested that Global NAPs

- 1 Illinois' certificate of service authority be
- 2 suspended or revoked in this proceeding, correct?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Well, let me ask you this: Does AT&T --
- 5 strike that.
- 6 Based on your understanding of AT&T's
- 7 procedures, policies and practices in this regard,
- 8 would it be AT&T's view that the revocation by the
- 9 Commission of Global NAPs' certificate would kind of
- 10 conclude to a breach of the interconnection
- 11 agreement?
- 12 A No.
- 13 Q Would it be AT&T Illinois' view that the
- 14 suspension or revocation of the certificate would be
- a basis upon which AT&T could unilaterally cease to
- 16 provide service of any sort to Global or any of its
- 17 affiliates?
- 18 MR. BINNIG: Just for clarification,
- 19 Mr. Harvey, you're not asking her for a legal
- 20 opinion, you're asking her for her understanding?
- 21 Could you use the term AT&T Illinois' view?
- MR. HARVEY: Certainly. Why don't I withdraw

- 1 that question and rephrase it.
- 2 BY MR. HARVEY:
- 3 Q Is it your understanding of AT&T Illinois'
- 4 policies, practices and procedures that the
- 5 suspension of Global's certificate -- or revocation
- of Global's certificate of service authority would be
- 7 a basis for AT&T Illinois to cease providing services
- 8 to Global Illinois?
- 9 A Yes, it's my understanding that the
- 10 interconnection agreement requires a valid
- 11 certification before we have to provide service, so
- 12 if that certification fails to be valid, then that
- 13 would be a breach of the interconnection agreement on
- 14 Global's part and we would have the right to cease
- 15 providing service under that agreement.
- 16 Q And is it your understanding that AT&T
- 17 Illinois would under those circumstances cease
- 18 providing service?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 MR. HARVEY: Nothing further, your Honor.
- 21 Thank you, Ms. Pellerin. I appreciate
- 22 your patience.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 3 MR. BINNIG: Do you have anything, your Honor?
- 4 JUDGE MORAN: I have no questions.
- 5 MR. BINNIG: I think I just have one or two
- 6 questions, your Honor.
- 7 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 8 BY
- 9 MR. BINNIG:
- 10 O Ms. Pellerin, you were asked several
- 11 questions by Mr. Moore about a transport format for
- 12 communications traffic referred to as TDM or Time
- 13 Division Multiplexing?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q And you indicated that in order for AT&T to
- 16 deliver calls over its circuits which network, the
- 17 traffic has to be in TDM format; is that correct?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Is that TDM format unique to AT&T or is
- 20 that a format that is used by any incumbent carrier
- 21 who has a circuit switch network that's part of the
- 22 public switch telephone network?

- 1 A It applies universally across the public
- 2 switch telephone network. All of the legacy
- 3 providers and -- have used that circuit switch
- 4 technology for many, many years.
- 5 MR. BINNIG: That's all I have, your Honor.
- 6 JUDGE MORAN: Thank you. I may have one or two
- 7 questions for Ms. Pellerin, but I'd have to take her
- 8 out of order after we do cross of Mr. Schettama.
- 9 Can you possibly stay around?
- 10 THE WITNESS: Oh, yes. Yes, I'm not leaving
- 11 until tomorrow.
- 12 JUDGE MORAN: That's wonderful.
- Other than that, you're excused.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- MR. MOORE: Jeff, are you still there.
- MR. NOACK: Yes, I am.
- MR. MOORE: Okay. We're going to have you go
- 18 ahead and testify now.
- 19 JUDGE MORAN: Let me ask everybody out there,
- 20 can you hear Mr. Noack?
- MR. MOORE: Not very well. Can you speak up,
- 22 Jeff?

- 1 THE WITNESS: I sure can.
- JUDGE MORAN: Thank you, Mr. Noack.
- I feel bad we've had Mr. Noack on the
- 4 telephone for so long. So Mr. Moore if you can put
- on your witness, that would be great. You can go
- 6 ahead.
- 7 MR. MOORE: Can you swear him in?
- JUDGE MORAN: Oh, no, that's right, I have not
- 9 sworn in Mr. Noack and I have not sworn in Mr. Hoagg,
- 10 who is right here. So let me do that.
- 11 (Witnesses sworn.)
- 12 JEFFREY NOACK,
- 13 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 14 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 15 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 16 BY
- 17 MR. MOORE:
- 18 Q Can you please state your name?
- 19 A Jeffrey Noack; N-o-a-c-k.
- Q Who are you employed by?
- 21 A Global NAPs.
- 22 Q Now, you have before you what is being

- 1 marked for identification as Global NAPs
- 2 Exhibit No. 2, the direct testimony of Jeffrey Noack,
- 3 consisting of nine pages?
- 4 A Yes, I do.
- 5 Q Is this your testimony?
- 6 A Yes, sir, it is.
- 7 Q And if you were asked the same questions
- 8 today, would you give the same answers?
- 9 A Yes, sir.
- 10 MR. MOORE: I've got no other questions. And I
- 11 would offer Global NAPs' Exhibit 2 into evidence.
- 12 JUDGE MORAN: And I believe that Exhibit 2 is
- just a public version; am I correct.
- MR. MOORE: Yes, he only has public, there's no
- 15 proprietary version.
- 16 JUDGE MORAN: There's no proprietary version.
- 17 Okay. Is there any objection to the admission of
- 18 Global NAPs' Exhibit 2.0.
- 19 MR. GERMANN: No objection from Illinois Bell.
- 20 MR. HARVEY: None from staff, your Honor.
- 21 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Hearing no objection, that
- testimony is admitted, and Mr. Noack is available for

- 1 cross. And who wishes to begin?
- 2 MR. GERMANN: I will, your Honor.
- JUDGE MORAN: Thank you.
- 4 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 5 BY
- 6 MR. GERMANN:
- 7 Q Good morning, Mr. Noack. This is Hans
- 8 Germann, one of the attorneys for Illinois Bell.
- 9 A Good morning, sir.
- 10 Q If you could turn to the first page of your
- 11 testimony, up in Line 3, you state that you were the
- 12 director of network operations for Global, Inc.
- Do you see that?
- 14 A Yes, sir.
- 15 Q Is Global, Inc. the full name of your
- 16 employer?
- 17 A Yes, sir.
- 18 Q I'm sorry, I could not hear you?
- 19 A Yes, sir.
- 20 Q Okay. Have you ever been employed by
- 21 Global NAPs Illinois, Inc.?
- 22 A No, sir.

- 1 Q Now, as director of network operations,
- 2 your responsibilities include submitting access
- 3 service requests or ASRs to other carriers; is that
- 4 correct?
- 5 A Yes, sir.
- 6 Q And an access service request or ASR is
- 7 basically a kind of order form?
- 8 A Not in my opinion, sir, no.
- 9 Q You started working in the
- 10 telecommunications industry in 1978 at New Jersey
- 11 Bell; is that correct?
- 12 A Yes, sir.
- 13 Q And in the mid-1980s, you were put in
- 14 charge of a group that received ASRs from
- 15 interexchange carriers?
- 16 A Yes, sir.
- 17 Q Now, you have in the past prepared ASRs,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A Yes, sir.
- 20 Q In fact, I believe in your direct
- 21 testimony, and I'm referring to Page 7, you indicate
- that you prepared some of the ASRs that were attached

- 1 to AT&T Illinois' opening testimony?
- 2 A Yes, sir.
- 3 Q Now, those ASRs that were attached to
- 4 AT&T's testimony, those are not the only ASRs you've
- 5 prepared, are they?
- 6 A I don't believe so, no.
- 7 Q In fact, you've prepared ASRs that were
- 8 submitted to other incumbent local exchange carriers,
- 9 haven't you?
- 10 A Yes, sir.
- 11 Q Including in California?
- 12 A Yes, sir.
- 13 Q In Ohio?
- 14 A Yes, sir.
- 15 Q In Connecticut?
- 16 A Yes, sir.
- 17 Q Have you prepared ASRs that have been sent
- 18 to Verizon?
- 19 A Yes, sir.
- 20 Q As director of network operations is it
- 21 true that your duties also include directing or
- 22 supervising the preparation of ASRs by other

- 1 employees at Global NAPs?
- 2 A Yes, sir.
- 3 Q If you could turn to Page 5 of your
- 4 testimony, please?
- 5 A Yes, sir.
- 6 Q And around Lines 119 and 120, you state
- 7 that Global can receive traffic in different formats,
- 8 including asynchronous transmission, ATM, and IP.
- 9 Do you see that?
- 10 A Yes, sir.
- 11 Q Now, are ATM and IP the only formats in
- 12 which Global can receive traffic?
- 13 A No, sir, we can receive it in TDM also.
- 14 Q By TDM, you mean Time Division
- 15 Multiplexing?
- 16 A Yes, sir.
- 17 Q And that is the format traditionally used
- 18 by the public switch telephone network?
- 19 A Yes, sir.
- 20 Q Now, is it also true that traffic can be
- 21 converted between different formats?
- 22 A Yes, sir.

- 1 O For example, traffic can be converted
- 2 between IP and TDM?
- 3 A Yes, sir.
- 4 Q Now, is it true that Global sometimes
- 5 converts traffic?
- 6 A Yes, sir.
- 7 Q For example, if Global received traffic in
- 8 TDM format, it might convert that to ATM?
- 9 A It could.
- 10 Q And if it did that, it might then convert
- 11 the ATM back to the TDM format before handing it off
- 12 to AT&T Illinois?
- 13 A Yes, sir.
- 14 O So the fact that a carrier receives a call
- in a particular format does not mean that the call
- 16 was always in that format, would you say that's true?
- 17 A Could you repeat that, please, sir?
- 18 Q Yeah. For example, let's say that Global
- 19 NAPs receives a call and when Global NAPs receives
- 20 the call it's in TDM format. Does that mean that the
- 21 call was always in TDM format?
- 22 A It doesn't have to be, no.

- 1 O It could have been converted before Global
- 2 NAPs received the call?
- 3 A Yes, it could have.
- 4 Q And for example, if Global NAPs receives a
- 5 call in IP format, the call could have been converted
- 6 into IP format before Global NAPs received the call?
- 7 A Yes, sir.
- 8 Q Now, when a call is handed off to Global
- 9 NAPs, does Global NAPs have any way of telling what
- 10 format the call originated in from the end user?
- 11 A No, sir, not to my knowledge.
- 12 Q Okay. Referring again to Page 5 of your
- 13 testimony around Line 110, you say that Global does
- 14 not receive traffic from any carrier using a 1-plus
- 15 method.
- 16 A Correct.
- 17 Q Now, are you saying that none of Global's
- 18 traffic begins with an end user picking up a phone
- 19 and dialing 1, the area code and the telephone
- 20 number?
- 21 A Global NAPs does not have any direct
- customers or end users that would use our network to

- 1 dial a 1-plus or what is commonly referred to as an
- 2 IXC call.
- 4 A That's correct.
- 5 Q Now, is it possible that some of the
- 6 traffic that Global receives originated from some end
- 7 user somewhere picking up a phone and dialing 1, an
- 8 area code and a telephone number?
- 9 A I would have no knowledge of that, you
- 10 know, what our customers are getting.
- 11 Q Now, referring back to Page 1 of your
- 12 direct testimony.
- 13 A Yes, sir.
- 14 O You testified that Global NAPs and AT&T
- 15 Illinois interconnected their networks using a fiber
- 16 facility; is that correct?
- 17 A Yes, sir.
- 18 Q And that fiber facility extends between Oak
- 19 Brook and LaGrange?
- 20 A AT&T has identified, or SBC at the time,
- 21 that it was originated at their LaGrange office, yes.

- 1 optic facility is?
- 2 A No, sir, I do not.
- 3 O And this was in 2002 that Global NAPs and
- 4 AT&T Illinois interconnected their networks?
- 5 A Yes, sir.
- 6 Q Now, you also state that this fiber
- 7 facility connecting the networks of Global NAPs
- 8 Illinois and AT&T Illinois was jointly funded; is
- 9 that correct?
- 10 A Yes, sir.
- 11 Q Do you have any invoices or receipts
- showing payment for the fiber optic facility?
- 13 A I don't believe it was funded in that way.
- 14 I believe that we shared the cost of the ring by
- 15 Global NAPs placing its equipment on the fiber and
- 16 AT&T or SBC placing their equipment on their end of
- 17 the fiber.
- 18 Q Now, when you refer to Global NAPs'
- 19 equipment on its end of the fiber, what equipment are
- 20 you referring to?
- 21 A A fiber optic terminal that matches the
- 22 AT&T fiber optic terminal on their side of the ring

- 1 so the two pieces of equipment can talk to each
- 2 other.
- 3 Q And where is that fiber optic terminal, the
- 4 Global NAPs fiber optic terminal? Where is that
- 5 located?
- 6 A It's in our location in Oak Brook.
- 7 Q I'm sorry?
- 8 A It's in our location in Oak Brook.
- 9 Q Thank you.
- 10 So you don't have any invoices or
- 11 receipts relating to the fiber optic cable itself?
- 12 A I don't believe there was any invoices for
- 13 that. This fiber already was there, it was already
- in existence used by a previous customer of AT&T.
- 15 Q Okay. So Global NAPs did not pay any money
- 16 for the construction or installation of the fiber
- 17 optic cable itself; is that correct?
- 18 A I'm not saying that. I'm not aware if
- 19 there was or was not.
- 20 My understanding was our expense was
- 21 going to be for the equipment that needed to be
- 22 placed on that ring.

- 1 Q The equipment that you're referring to, the
- 2 fiber terminal equipment, that's equipment on Global
- 3 NAPs' end of the fiber; is that correct?
- 4 A True.
- 5 Q And that's in the Oak Brook location?
- 6 A Yes, sir.
- 7 Q Now, who owns that equipment?
- 8 A Global NAPs.
- 9 Q Global NAPs Illinois?
- 10 A I'm not sure what the legal entity is that
- 11 physically owns that equipment.
- 12 Q All right.
- 13 MR. GERMANN: Thank you, Mr. Noack. I have no
- 14 further questions.
- MR. HARVEY: Nothing from staff, your Honor.
- 16 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 17 BY
- 18 JUDGE MORAN:
- 19 Q Mr. Noack, when you were asked the question
- 20 as to an access service request or ASR, it was put to
- 21 you that this was like an order form, and you said
- 22 no. What do you think of it as?

- 1 A I think of it as more of an indication of
- 2 what was required.
- 3 And if I can expand on that, your
- 4 Honor. When we sit down with a company and negotiate
- 5 an interconnection, it's usually a mutually agreeable
- 6 thing on how the interconnection is going to be
- 7 performed.
- In this case, we had asked AT&T and
- 9 they agreed to provide two-way network, meaning that
- 10 both companies were going to be able to use the
- 11 facilities and the trunk groups that were put so that
- 12 both companies could send traffic to each other.
- 13 In that case, AT&T stated to me that
- 14 since it's going to be a mutual network, a two-way
- 15 network that we both can use, only one company can be
- in charge of sizing and implementing this network.
- 17 And their rules to us designated
- 18 Global NAPs as the person who was going -- or company
- 19 that was going to provide it. And they also informed
- 20 us that the way we're going to ask you to build this
- 21 network and implement it is to use the ASR form that
- 22 will communicate to all the groups within AT&T that

- 1 needed to see that form, that there had to be work to
- 2 do to implement this network.
- 3 Q So you don't -- you know, I think I've
- 4 maybe lost my question.
- 5 A Okay.
- 6 Q When you send an ASR, it's the same thing
- 7 as me ordering from a catalog and saying I want this,
- 8 this, this and this; is that not correct?
- 9 A I don't -- I have never considered it that
- 10 way. I mean, it's -- there are --
- 11 Q If you don't consider it an order form,
- 12 then what do you consider it without --
- 13 A A mechanism --
- 14 O For?
- 15 A -- that the incumbent LECs shave asked us
- 16 to use in order to size and implement the network.
- 17 Q I'm still not clear. Can you analogize it
- 18 to something?
- 19 A I can try. I can try to tell you what
- 20 other LECs have done in different scenarios. I can
- 21 tell you that in some instances where we did not have
- 22 a two-way network, we had a one-way network, that the

- 1 incumbent would notify Global NAPs as to what they
- 2 were going to put in as far as facilities and trunks
- 3 to Global NAPs using an offshoot of an ASR, which was
- 4 called a PTSR, and they would send that order to us
- 5 so that we would know what they were building.
- 6 And I would liken this form and the
- 7 fact that it was what the incumbent LEC used for us
- 8 to notify them what both companies needed to install
- 9 between each other so that customers could call each
- 10 other on this network.
- 11 Q Oh, so you're viewing this as you're
- telling them everything that you want plus what they
- 13 have to do?
- 14 A Yes. It's a two-way network, meaning we
- 15 put a trunk group in, both companies can use it.
- 16 They can send calls from this trunk group from their
- 17 customers to Global NAPs and Global NAPs can send
- 18 calls from our network to the AT&T network.
- 19 O And why would you have to give AT&T
- instructions as to what they need to do?
- 21 A Well, like I said, it was their -- one of
- their rules that said only one company can be in

- 1 charge of sizing this network. You can't have two
- 2 companies trying to add to the network. Only one
- 3 company could be in charge of what the right sizing
- 4 of it is.
- In a one-way network, they would
- 6 simply put in facilities for their customers to call
- 7 Global NAPs and Global NAPs would put in facilities
- 8 for our customers to call them and it would be
- 9 independent of each other.
- 10 Q Okay. But what you're really doing, you're
- 11 not -- are you building out networks because you're
- 12 not really building networks, you're just connecting
- 13 networks?
- 14 A Yeah. I'm sorry, when I say "building
- out," I mean there's been testimony about putting in
- DS3s, and then on top of the DS3s, you put in DS1s,
- 17 then on top of the DS1s, you put in DS0s or what
- 18 they're called trunk groups.
- 19 O Okay. Thank you.
- 20 JUDGE MORAN: Does anybody have any --
- MR. GERMANN: Your Honor, might I ask a couple
- 22 additional questions?

- 1 JUDGE MORAN: Sure.
- 2 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 3 BY
- 4 MR. GERMANN:
- 5 Q Mr. Noack, have you heard of the Ordering
- 6 and Billing Forum for the Alliance for
- 7 Telecommunications Solutions?
- 8 A Yes, sir.
- 9 Q In fact, that's an industry-wide group that
- 10 develops standards for ASRs; isn't that correct?
- 11 A Yes, sir.
- 12 Q And do you know whether they refer to ASRs
- as a vehicle for ordering services between carriers?
- 14 A No, I'm not aware of what they would refer
- 15 to that as. I know they did make provisions for
- 16 what's called local trunking and local facilities,
- 17 meaning something different than access and
- 18 accessibility.
- 19 Q So they made provisions so ASRs could be
- 20 used to order local trunks?
- 21 A Yes, sir.
- MR. GERMANN: Thank you. I have no other

- 1 questions.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Anything else?
- 3 MR. HARVEY: Nothing from staff, your Honor.
- 4 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Noack.
- 5 We're sorry for your situation and we're very happy
- 6 you were able to be here by telephone today.
- 7 MR. NOACK: Your Honor, I thank you for that
- 8 and I also thank you for your indulgence in this
- 9 special situation and allowing me to testify by
- 10 phone.
- 11 JUDGE MORAN: Thank you. Bye.
- MR. NOACK: Bye.
- 13 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Witness excused.
- 14 It's now 12:00 o'clock on the dot
- 15 almost. We have two witnesses left, so I would
- 16 expect that we would want to break for lunch, or am I
- 17 wrong?
- 18 MR. ORTLIEB: That's right.
- 19 MR. BINNIG: It's the consensus of the room. I
- 20 can wait an hour. I think we had an hour total
- 21 between Mr. Noack and Mr. Scheltma.
- JUDGE MORAN: Does anybody have to be

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     somewhere? Let's break for lunch. Hour, hour 15,
     what do you want?
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           MR. BINNIG: 1:15?
           JUDGE MORAN: We will resume at 1:15.
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                            a lunch recess taken.)
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- 1 (Whereupon, the following
- 2 proceedings were held at
- 1:15 o'clock p.m.)
- 4 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. We are ready to start.
- 5 MR. HARVEY: Staff is ready, your Honor.
- 6 JUDGE MORAN: The last two witnesses that we
- 7 have today are both sworn and I believe the first
- 8 witness is Mr. Moore's.
- 9 MR. MOORE: Yes. I would like to call
- 10 Mr. Scheltema.
- 11 JAMES ROBERT JORDAN SCHELTEMA,
- 12 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 13 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 14 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 15 BY
- MR. MOORE:
- 17 Q Could you please state your name.
- 18 A James Robert Jordan Scheltema.
- 19 Q And who are you employed by?
- 20 A Global NAPs, Inc.
- 21 Q I show you what's been marked for
- 22 identification as Global NAPs Exhibit No. 1 with

- 1 direct testimony of James R. J. Scheltema consisting
- of 27 pages of text and five attachments marked
- 3 JS Exhibits 1 through 5. Did you prepare this
- 4 testimony?
- 5 A Yes, I did.
- 6 Q And if asked these questions today, would
- 7 you give the same answers?
- 8 A Yes, with some modifications and
- 9 corrections.
- 10 Q All right. Then let's go through those
- 11 corrections. Please identify the first one and --
- 12 I'm sorry we do not have a sheet ready. I'm going to
- 13 go ahead and make these corrections on the record
- 14 then submit revised testimony on e-docket.
- 15 A At Line 243 --
- Q. Our testimony.
- 17 A Yes, sir, our testimony.
- 18 JUDGE MORAN: This is the direct?
- 19 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- JUDGE MORAN: Line 243, what page?
- MR. HARVEY: I have 11, your Honor, Page 11.
- THE WITNESS: There should be a close quote

- 1 following the word "services." On Page 17 at Line
- 2 368 where it currently says Roman Numeral III, I
- 3 believe that should be deleted and in substitution
- 4 the word in, i-n, should appear.
- 5 MR. MOORE: Q. How should it read?
- 6 A Accordingly, the FCC (sic) determined the
- 7 attempts by state to exercise jurisdiction colon.
- 8 At Line 415 on Page 19, it appears there
- 9 should be a space between the word "exemptions" and
- 10 "remains." At Page 506 there should be a deletion of
- 11 the words -- I'm sorry -- Page 23, Line 506 -- and
- 12 that much testimony would probably kill us all --
- instead of the independents it should read AT&T's.
- 14 O And with those corrections, if asked the
- same questions today, would you give the same
- 16 answers?
- 17 A I still have one more correction I believe
- 18 and that is to the rebuttal testimony.
- 19 Q I show you now then what's been marked as
- 20 Global NAPs Exhibit No. 3, the reply testimony of
- 21 James Scheltema consisting of nine pages of
- 22 testimony. Is this your testimony?

- 1 A It is.
- 2 Q And are there any corrections you wish to
- 3 make to that?
- 4 A There is one. First, I would note that the
- 5 testimony is proprietary or confidential and my
- 6 correction is -- I can't give you a line number
- 7 actually because it's Footnote No. 1.
- 8 JUDGE MORAN: What page does it appear?
- 9 THE WITNESS: This is on Page 1 and it appears
- 10 that the footnote has been truncated. It should be
- 11 consistent with Footnote 1 on Page 1 of my direct
- 12 testimony as well where I previously identified
- 13 Global and therein it says Global as used herein may
- 14 refer to either Global NAPs, Inc., or Global
- 15 NAPs-Illinois, Inc.
- 16 The respondent in this proceeding, as
- 17 identified in the initial pleadings of this
- 18 proceeding, is Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc.
- 19 JUDGE MORAN: So you are moving that Footnote
- 20 --
- 21 THE WITNESS: I'm just copying.
- JUDGE MORAN: -- 1 in the direct in that

- 1 complete form over to Footnote 1 in the reply?
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 4 THE WITNESS: And I believe that concludes the
- 5 modifications or corrections to my testimony.
- 6 MR. MOORE: Q. If you were asked the same
- 7 questions on Exhibit 3.0, would you give the same
- 8 answers?
- 9 A I would.
- 10 MR. MOORE: I have no other questions and offer
- 11 Exhibits 1.0 and 3.0 into the record.
- 12 MR. BINNIG: We do have an objection to one of
- 13 the -- a portion of one of the attachments to Exhibit
- 14 1.0.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. There's five attachments.
- 16 MR. BINNIG: In Attachment JS-1 it has a
- 17 customer list and it has two letters as well I
- 18 believe from an outside counsel for one company. The
- other's an outside counsel for another company. I
- 20 will state the company on the record unless there's a
- 21 matter of proprietary information. If that is, I'll
- 22 identify them in that way.

- 1 JUDGE MORAN: Maybe Mr. Moore can tell us.
- 2 MR. MOORE: These documents provide the basis
- 3 for an opinion from Mr. Scheltema on the nature of
- 4 the services provided by these two particular
- 5 customers.
- 6 MR. BINNIG: I had made my objections that I
- 7 was just identifying the document.
- 8 MR. MOORE: I'm sorry.
- 9 MR. BINNIG: Is it okay to say the company name
- 10 on the record?
- 11 JUDGE MORAN: That was the question.
- MR. MOORE: I'm sorry?
- JUDGE MORAN: And I was deferring the response
- 14 to the witness.
- MR. MOORE: Mr. Scheltema informs me that it
- 16 would be appropriate to discuss the letter referring
- 17 to Transcom because that is a public record and some
- 18 other documents but not the other customer.
- MR. BINNIG: Well then, we're objecting to the
- 20 admittance of those two letters as part of Exhibit
- 21 JS-1 is a letter from counsel for Transcom, the other
- 22 is a letter from another company I couldn't say on

- 1 the public record.
- 2 Our objection is based on hearsay.
- 3 These are the worse kind of hearsay. We have got
- 4 basic hearsay within hearsay. We have got an outside
- 5 counsel for each of these companies making assertions
- 6 that then Mr. Scheltema has attached and is
- 7 suggesting or trying to move into evidence here.
- 8 We have no way to cross-examine either the
- 9 authors of those letters or, more importantly,
- 10 representatives of the companies themselves regarding
- 11 the assertions in these letters, so it's highly
- 12 unreliable. It's not subject to
- 13 cross-examination.
- 14 I believe I can give you two case cites
- as not allowing the admission of this type of
- 16 evidence on the grounds it's inadmissible hearsay.
- 17 One of those cases is in re: Aqua Illinois case.
- 18 That's Docket 04-0442. The other is in re:
- 19 Commonwealth Edison, Docket 90-0038.
- 20 JUDGE MORAN: And is there a response to that
- 21 objection on those particulars?
- MR. MOORE: Your Honor, these documents are

- 1 being offered here to show the basis for the
- 2 company's statements to AT&T and the nature of its
- 3 own traffic. It really has -- that is the basis, and
- 4 certainly there's some technology they use, the other
- 5 what the customers told them. I'm not sure how else
- 6 the Commission could find out the nature of the
- 7 traffic if you don't hear from in the one case the
- 8 in-house counsel for the end user, so I'm really at a
- 9 loss how the company, Global NAPs, can prove that the
- 10 nature of the traffic customers are provided other
- 11 than asking them and having them tell us.
- 12 JUDGE MORAN: And you are saying that those
- 13 parties are not here?
- MR. BINNIG: They're not here.
- JUDGE MORAN: And you answered you cannot
- 16 question them?
- 17 MR. BINNIG: Correct, your Honor. What I mean
- 18 they are offering that information for the truth of
- 19 the matters that are asserted in there, and if those
- 20 particular companies don't have witnesses here who we
- 21 can cross-examine, then it is the classic kind of
- 22 hearsay which the Commission previously found should

- 1 not be admitted.
- JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Here's what I'm going to
- 3 do. I'm going to consider this objection. I want to
- 4 look at these two cases that counsel has cited and
- 5 review carefully those letters and I'll make a ruling
- 6 after the hearing as to whether those will be
- 7 admitted or not, and those are the attachments in
- 8 JS Exhibit 1?
- 9 MR. BINNIG: The two letters, yes. There's
- 10 also a first page. There's a list of customers and
- 11 we're not objecting to that list. I'm just
- 12 objecting --
- 13 JUDGE MORAN: To the two letters?
- MR. BINNIG: -- to the two letters.
- JUDGE MORAN: Then that's going to be my
- 16 ruling. Now I'm going to defer ruling.
- No objections to Exhibits 2 through 5 --
- I mean, excuse me, Attachments 2 through 5?
- 19 MR. BINNIG: None from AT&T-Illinois.
- 20 MR. HARVEY: Nor from staff, your Honor.
- JUDGE MORAN: At this point, Global Exhibit No.
- 22 1.0, the direct testimony of Mr. Scheltema and

- 1 Attachments 2 through 5 to that testimony, are
- 2 admitted, and I believe you have another your ruling
- 3 for admission of further testimony.
- 4 (Whereupon, Global
- NAPs Exhibit No. 1.0 was
- ference received in evidence.)
- 7 MR. MOORE: 1.0 and 3.0 I thought I moved for
- 8 admission of 2.0 of Mr. Noack. If I haven't, I'll do
- 9 it now.
- 10 JUDGE MORAN: If it's marked, it was admitted
- 11 and not objected to. Is there any objection to
- 12 Global NAPs Exhibit 3.0?
- 13 MR. BINNIG: None from AT&T-Illinois.
- 14 JUDGE MORAN: Staff.
- MR. HARVEY: None from staff, your Honor.
- 16 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Then that is admitted.
- 17 (Whereupon, Global NAPs
- 18 Exhibit Nos. 3.0 was
- 19 previously marked for
- 20 identification and
- 21 received in evidence.)
- The only point in questioning would be

- or that part of Exhibit 1 is to identify it by AT&T
- 2 counsel, and if you need to cross on that or if you
- 3 want to cross on that, then it would have to be I
- 4 guess as an offer of proof somehow separate from
- 5 the --
- 6 MR. BINNIG: Well, we'll try to separate. I
- 7 don't think technically it would be an offer of proof
- 8 from us.
- 9 JUDGE MORAN: I guess what I'm trying to say is
- 10 that if that testimony does or that doesn't come in,
- 11 then that part of the record is going to be
- 12 irrelevant.
- 13 MR. BINNIG: Right.
- 14 JUDGE MORAN: On the other hand, if it does
- 15 come in, that cross would be relevant.
- 16 MR. BINNIG: If we have cross with respect to
- 17 those items, your Honor, we'll do that in a separate
- 18 section of the cross so it can be easily identified.
- 19 JUDGE MORAN: That's what I'm trying to do
- 20 which is what we try to do for an offer of proof,
- 21 right? I don't know that I have a name for that
- 22 vehicle.

- 1 JUDGE MORAN: All right. Let's proceed then.
- 2 3.0 is admitted. 1.0 is admitted with that one
- 3 exception.
- 4 MR. BINNIG: AT&T-Illinois is happy to go
- 5 first.
- 6 MR. HARVEY: Please do, Counsel.
- 7 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 8 BY
- 9 MR. BINNIG:
- 10 Q Good afternoon, Mr. Scheltema.
- 11 A Hello, Mr. Binnig. How are you again.
- 12 Q I'm doing okay.
- 13 I'm going to first hand you a couple of
- 14 cross exhibits. These have been marked for
- 15 identification as AT&T-Illinois Cross Exhibit 1 and
- 16 AT&T-Illinois Cross Exhibit 2. I think I'm just
- 17 going to use these for identification only. I won't
- 18 be moving for their admission because I think they're
- 19 already either part of the Commission's file in this
- 20 case or they're similar to the statute.
- JUDGE MORAN: Have you passed --
- MR. BINNIG: I'll pass them out now.

- 1 JUDGE MORAN: Please do so.
- 2 MR. BINNIG: I have a copy for you and we have
- 3 copies for counsel.
- 4 JUDGE MORAN: Great.
- 5 THE WITNESS: Thank you, sir.
- 6 MR. HARVEY: Do you have a further copy?
- 7 (Document tendered.)
- Wonderful. Thank you.
- 9 MR. BINNIG: Q. Mr. Scheltema, I would like
- 10 to first call your attention to AT&T-Illinois Cross
- 11 Exhibit 1. Do you recognize this?
- 12 JUDGE MORAN: Which is 1? I'm sorry.
- MR. BINNIG: Q. One is the Request for pro hac
- 14 vice admission.
- 15 A Yes, I do.
- 16 Q Do you recognize that as your request for
- 17 pro hac vice admission in this proceeding?
- 18 A Yes, I do.
- 19 Q Are you familiar with the Illinois
- 20 Professional Rules of Responsibility, Mr. Scheltema?
- 21 A Familiar? I've read through them. Do I
- 22 recall them with any precision at this point, no.

- 1 Q Well, what I have identified for -- marked
- 2 for identification purposes as AT&T-Illinois Cross
- 3 Exhibit 2 is an excerpt from the Illinois Rules of
- 4 Professional Responsibility and I would like to turn
- 5 your attention to Rule 3.7 which is entitled "Lawyer
- 6 as a Witness."
- JUDGE MORAN: What's the page?
- 8 MR. BINNIG: It's 659 at the bottom, your
- 9 Honor. It's near the back of the exhibit, second to
- 10 the last.
- 11 JUDGE MORAN: Thank you.
- MR. BINNIG: Q. Mr. Scheltema, does Rule 3.7
- 13 begin by saying that, and I'm quoting, "A lawyer
- 14 shall not accept or continue employment in
- 15 contemplating the pending litigation if the lawyer
- 16 knows or reasonably should know that the lawyer may
- 17 be called as a witness on behalf of the client?"
- 18 A Yes, it does.
- 19 Q And in light of that, Mr. Scheltema, do you
- 20 intend to request to withdraw your pro hac vice
- 21 admission as a lawyer for Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc.,
- in this proceedings?

- 1 A I did, in fact, do that already by having
- 2 counsel represent in this proceeding rather than
- 3 myself. Yes, I'm absolutely willing and would be
- 4 happy to make so in writing.
- 5 Q And am I correct that up until some point
- 6 in time you did serve a function as a lawyer for
- 7 Global NAPs-Illinois in this proceeding?
- 8 A Prior to filing any testimony in this case,
- 9 at some point I served as an attorney and asked to be
- 10 admitted for purposes of this proceeding and I was
- 11 present in front of the judge in this proceeding.
- 12 Q And one of the things you also did was that
- 13 you submitted the answers of Global NAPs-Illinois,
- 14 Inc., in this proceeding?
- 15 A Not as an attorney. I don't know how it
- 16 was entered. I produced the written documents.
- 17 MR. BINNIG: Let's mark this as Cross Exhibit 3.
- 18 (Whereupon, AT&T-Illinois
- 19 Cross Exhibit No. 3 was
- 20 marked for
- identification.)
- 22 MR. ORTLIEB: Mr. Moore, can we ask Mr. Scheltema

- 1 to use the microphone?
- 2 MR. MOORE: Yes.
- 3 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. I didn't have it
- 4 available.
- 5 MR. BINNIG: Q. Mr. Scheltema --
- 6 MR. BINNIG: Your Honor, I didn't make copies
- of this, but it is part of the Commission's file.
- 8 It's Defendant Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc.,'s Answer
- 9 and Affirmative Defenses to Plaintiff's Complaint.
- 10 It has a date on Page 10 of March 19, 2008.
- 11 JUDGE MORAN: I have a copy.
- 12 MR. BINNIG: Q. Okay.
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 O You recognize that as Global NAPs-Illinois'
- 15 Answer and Affirmative Defenses in this proceeding?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q And that was submitted on a document that
- 18 contains your letterhead on each page; is that
- 19 correct?
- 20 A Yes, it does. I haven't submitted it in
- 21 this format, but, yes.
- 22 Q But if you look at the last page where it

- 1 indicates who's submitting it, you're identified as
- 2 first counsel submitting that answer; is that
- 3 correct?
- 4 A It doesn't identify me as counsel, no.
- 5 Q Who's listed in the signature block there,
- 6 Mr. Scheltema?
- 7 A I am listed as well as Mr. Osterberg
- 8 (phonetic). Mr. Osterberg is counsel. I don't know
- 9 if he's admitted to Illinois.
- 10 Q So it's fair to say that at some point you
- 11 stopped performing, in what I will call, as a lawyer
- for Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc., in this proceeding?
- 13 A It's not clear to me, other than appearing
- 14 and requesting to be admitted for this proceeding,
- 15 that I engaged in the practice of law before this
- 16 Commission. In fact, on the bottom of each of these
- 17 pages, which I did not produce, I just did the scribe
- 18 work. It also indicates that I'm a C.P.A. I did not
- 19 function as a C.P.A. here. It does identify me as a
- 20 vice president of regulatory affairs which is the
- 21 appropriate function that I would be performing for
- 22 Global NAPs-Illinois.

- 1 Q So your appearance as a witness today you
- 2 are not appearing as a lawyer; is that correct?
- 3 A Yes, that's correct.
- 4 Q And you are not expressing any legal
- 5 opinions in your testimony; is that correct?
- 6 A I'm expressing my opinion and understanding
- 7 of the law as it stands.
- 8 Q But you are not expressing any legal
- 9 opinions that you are presenting to the Commission as
- 10 legal opinions or legal conclusions; is that correct?
- 11 A I'm a fact-based witness.
- 12 Q I'll ask the question one more time. You
- are not presenting any legal opinions or legal
- 14 conclusions to the Commission that you are
- representing as legal opinions or legal conclusions?
- 16 A I'm sorry. Can you read that back?
- 17 Q In your testimony you are not representing
- 18 to the Commission that you are presenting to them any
- 19 legal opinions?
- 20 JUDGE MORAN: Counsel --
- MR. BINNIG: Yes.
- 22 JUDGE MORAN: -- why are you phrasing it that

- 1 way? Why don't you say are you representing instead
- of you are not, just because of the fact are you.
- What are you doing?
- 4 THE WITNESS: I'm representing my opinions of
- 5 the state of the law as it applies to Global NAPs
- 6 with respect to regulatory and administrative law
- 7 prevailing at the FCC and at this Commission.
- 8 MR. BINNIG: Q. You are not purporting to
- 9 provide legal opinions to the Commission; is that
- 10 correct?
- 11 A As my legal opinion would be somewhat
- irrelevant to the judge, it's her determination that
- 13 prevails at the end of the day.
- 14 O Can you answer that question yes or not?
- 15 A Could you repeat it again.
- 16 Q You are not providing any legal opinions to
- 17 this Commission in your testimony; is that correct?
- 18 A I'm providing legal opinions but not in my
- 19 capacity as an attorney, just as if you said that man
- 20 appears to be jaywalking when he's crossing the
- 21 street without the light being green.
- 22 Q You are not at the time purporting to

- 1 practice law in connection with the opinions that you
- 2 are providing in your testimony; is that correct?
- 3 A That's correct.
- 4 Q Let's turn to Page 3 of your direct
- 5 testimony. If you could look at Line 44 on Page 3.
- 6 A Incidentally, this does not appear to be my
- 7 signature.
- 8 Q The Certificate of Service, which has your
- 9 name, that's not your signature?
- 10 A No, sir.
- 11 Q Did you authorize someone to sign a
- 12 Certificate of Service on your behalf?
- 13 A I typically do that.
- 14 O Is that also true for the signature block
- on the answer itself?
- 16 A Yes, that appears to be the same person
- 17 signing. That's not my signature though. People say
- 18 I have a messier signature. I like to call it
- 19 stylize?
- 21 on your behalf in --
- 22 A I don't --

- 1 O -- Answers to an Affirmative Defense?
- 2 A I don't recall that, but that would not be
- 3 surprising to me. It's a regular course of business.
- 4 Q Do you recall reviewing Global
- 5 NAPs-Illinois' Answer in Affirmative Defenses before
- 6 it was filed with the Commission?
- 7 A Yes. I prepared or became the scribe and
- 8 proofreader for materials provided. I'm sorry. You
- 9 directed me to a certain portion of testimony.
- 10 Q Page 3 of your direct testimony on Line 44
- 11 at the very top I think the phrase I'm looking at
- 12 actually begins on Page 2, Line 43. You state there
- 13 that the parties jointly provision meet points. Do
- 14 you see that?
- 15 A Just one moment.
- (A brief pause.)
- 17 Q Okay.
- 18 A Yes, sir, I see that.
- 19 Q Global NAPs-Illinois did not provide any
- 20 fiber between AT&T-Illinois LaGrange tandem
- 21 (sic)building and the fiber termination frame at the
- 22 building in Oak Brook where Global NAPs-Illinois is

- located, correct?
- 2 A That's my understanding currently pursuant
- 3 to Mr. Temmer's (phonetic) testimony.
- 4 Q And Global NAPs has never paid
- 5 AT&T-Illinois a single penny for anything; is that
- 6 correct?
- 7 A Under the arbitration agreement, Global
- 8 NAPs is not responsible for any items beyond the
- 9 point on SBC Ameritech, Illinois Bell, whatever you
- 10 want to call it, besides the point of
- 11 interconnection.
- MR. BINNIG: Your Honor, I would move to strike
- 13 that as nonresponsive and ask that the witness be
- 14 directed to answer the question. I can repeat the
- 15 question if he likes.
- 16 JUDGE MORAN: Please repeat the question.
- 17 MR. BINNIG: Q. Global NAPs-Illinois has never
- 18 paid AT&T-Illinois a single penny for anything; isn't
- 19 that correct?
- 20 A Global NAPs-Illinois has paid AT&T what
- it's due.
- 22 MR. BINNIG: Again, move to strike.

- 1 JUDGE MORAN: Again, please respond to the
- 2 question.
- 3 THE WITNESS: I don't have information related
- 4 to Global NAPs account payable.
- 5 MR. BINNIG: Q. So you don't know?
- 6 A I do not know personally, no.
- 7 Q And you provided no documents with your
- 8 direct testimony showing that Global NAPs-Illinois
- 9 has ever paid a single penny to AT&T-Illinois for
- 10 anything; isn't that correct?
- 11 A That's correct.
- 12 Q Let's move down to Lines 55 and 56 on Page
- 13 3 of your direct testimony, and in the first sentence
- 14 there, the second phrase, you said "Global has its
- own network that carries traffic up to the
- 16 interconnection point with Illinois Bell." Do you
- 17 see that?
- 18 A Yes, I do.
- 19 Q By "Global," are you referring to Global
- 20 NAPs Networks, Inc.?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q Global NAPs-Illinois has no network

- facilities of its own, correct?
- 2 A That's my understanding.
- 3 Q And Global NAPs-Illinois itself does not
- 4 have any contracts with customers; is that correct?
- 5 A That's my understanding as well.
- 6 Q And Global NAPs-Illinois never had any
- 7 employees; is that correct?
- 8 A That's my understanding as well.
- 9 MR. BINNIG: Your Honor, could I just have a
- 10 second off the record to talk with Mr. Moore?
- 11 JUDGE MORAN: Yes.
- 12 (A brief pause.)
- MR. BINNIG: Your Honor, we're back on the
- 14 record?
- 15 JUDGE MORAN: Yes.
- 16 MR. BINNIG: What I discussed with Mr. Moore
- was we have copies of Global NAPs-Illinois' response
- 18 to our discovery in this proceeding. I think what
- 19 Mr. Moore and I have agreed to do is rather than
- 20 taking up time with Mr. Scheltema going through
- 21 those, we'll provide him with a copy before I have
- 22 completed my full cross-examination of Mr. Scheltema,

- 1 just a full set of all the discovery responses that
- 2 we would like to move, so they can verify that those
- 3 are the discovery responses that -- that we would
- 4 move for them as a group exhibit at the end of cross.
- 5 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. That's -- that's amenable
- 6 to you, Mr. Moore?
- 7 MR. MOORE: Yes.
- JUDGE MORAN: Great, but you will be crossing
- 9 with those responses or not?
- 10 MR. BINNIG: I wasn't planning on it based on
- 11 that agreement.
- 12 JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 13 MR. BINNIG: I mean, they're all admissions
- obviously.
- 15 JUDGE MOORE: Right. Okay.
- 16 MR. BINNIG: O. Mr. Scheltema, let's turn to
- 17 page -- I guess we're still on Page 3. Let's move
- down to Line 1661 and I'm looking at a phrase
- 19 beginning on Line 6 that it states what Global NAPs
- 20 did is use the ASR process to inform AT&T how to
- 21 properly, quote, right assist its network to enclose
- 22 Global NAPs traffic in order to live up to AT&T's

- 1 responsibility. Do you see that?
- 2 A Yes, I do.
- 4 NAPs did, by "Global NAPs" are you referring to
- 5 Global NAPs-Illinois Inc., there?
- 6 A Global NAPs -- I don't know whether Global
- 7 NAPs-Illinois placed the request or whether Global
- 8 NAPs Network, but one of the Global NAPs affiliates
- 9 operated basically as a holding company identical in
- 10 nature like some ILECs, like Verizon did, so I can't
- 11 tell you what particular entity was on my mind, but
- 12 it would be either Global NAPs-Illinois or Global
- 13 NAPs Network probably.
- 14 O Okay. And with respect to your assertion
- 15 there that whichever entity was submitting these ASRs
- 16 and that they used the ASR process to inform AT&T how
- 17 to properly right assist its network, you haven't
- 18 provided with your testimony any documents where that
- 19 Global NAPs-Illinois entity tells AT&T that it is
- 20 using the ASRs to inform AT&T how to properly right
- 21 assist its network, correct?
- 22 A I don't believe so. I believe that AT&T

- 1 actually attached ASRs. We can rely on those and the
- 2 testimony of Mr. Noack earlier to the same point.
- 3 Q Let's move to Page 4 of your testimony.
- 4 Now Lines 66 through 67 you assert beginning at the
- 5 line -- end of Line 66 that AT&T has invoiced Global
- 6 NAPs for trunk orders. Do you see that?
- 7 A Yes, I do.
- 8 Q Again, when you use the term "Global NAPs"
- 9 there on Line 67, are you referring to Global
- 10 NAPs-Illinois --
- 11 A I believe so, yes.
- 12 Q -- Inc.?
- 13 Have you reviewed the invoices that
- 14 AT&T-Illinois sent to Global NAPs-Illinois?
- 15 A I have seen them but -- or I have seen AT&T
- 16 bills -- that was quite sometime ago -- it was more
- 17 than a year ago -- in preparation for the deposition
- 18 with AT&T and now I can't tell you -- but I can tell
- 19 you Ms. Halloran (phonetic) said that we aren't being
- 20 billed for trunks, so if that's the case, I stand
- 21 corrected, but I know that we were billed for some
- 22 facilities and that's some of the facilities that are

- 1 at issue here today.
- 2 Q You anticipated my next question. I'll
- 3 skip it because I think you already answered it.
- 4 As you sit here today, Mr. Scheltema --
- 5 well, let me rephrase that. You haven't provided
- 6 with your testimony any documents that show that
- 7 AT&T-Illinois invoiced Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc.,
- 8 for trunks, correct?
- 9 A I have not attached any invoices, no, sir.
- 10 Q Let's move down Page 4 to Line 74. And you
- 11 assert there that AT&T-Illinois has been attempting
- 12 to impose access charges to Global NAPs' traffic for
- 13 a number of years. Do you see that?
- 14 A Yes, sir.
- 15 Q Isn't it correct, Mr. Scheltema, that in
- 16 this complaint proceeding AT&T-Illinois is not
- 17 seeking recovery of any interstate access charges
- 18 from Global NAPs-Illinois?
- 19 A That is correct. It omits a large part of
- 20 the access charges. It is my understanding that
- 21 there are millions of dollars being sought here for
- 22 intrastate access charges.

- 1 O Well, isn't it a fact -- correct me,
- 2 Mr. Scheltema -- that intrastate switched access
- 3 charges that AT&T-Illinois claims it is owed by
- 4 Global NAPs-Illinois is less than 20 percent of the
- 5 total amount that AT&T-Illinois is seeking to recover
- 6 in this proceeding?
- 7 A I'm not familiar with the absolute number.
- 8 I'm sorry, Mr. Binnig. I'm sure it will come up in
- 9 briefs.
- 10 Q Isn't it correct, Mr. Scheltema, that the
- 11 vast majority of the amounts that AT&T-Illinois is
- 12 seeking to recover from Global NAPs-Illinois in this
- 13 proceeding are reciprocal compensation charges and
- 14 transmitting charges?
- 15 A As I said, I'm not familiar with the exact
- 16 breakdown of the amounts sought.
- 17 Q Let's turn to Page 7 of your direct
- 18 testimony.
- 19 A Yes, sir.
- 20 Q I'm looking at Lines 159 to 161, and at
- 21 least in my copy this is identified as proprietary --
- 22 A Yes.

- 1 Q -- but I think I can ask questions without
- 2 getting into what may or may not be proprietary
- 3 there. You are referring to certain adjudication
- 4 involving Transcom, Inc.'s services, correct?
- 5 A Yes, sir.
- 6 Q And you haven't provided with your
- 7 testimony copies of any of those adjudications; is
- 8 that correct?
- 9 A Actually I believe that what we sought to
- 10 have confidential was the identity of the party you
- 11 just named.
- 13 A But since it's a public record, I'm not
- 14 sure that it can be confidential, and my
- 15 understanding was that we did provide the case where
- it was declared to be subject to the ESP exemption.
- 17 Q Is that an exhibit to your testimony?
- 18 A It should be. I thought it was. There's a
- 19 cite at the bottom of Page 2 and on Footnote 8, and I
- 20 believe I provided it to you perhaps in other
- 21 proceedings, but if it wasn't attached --
- 22 Q I didn't see it as an exhibit -- let's

- 1 refer to that cite -- you provided with Footnote 8;
- 2 is that correct?
- 3 A Yes, sir.
- 4 Q That particular decision was vacated by the
- 5 Court of Appeals, wasn't it?
- 6 A Mr. Binnig, I don't know without looking at
- 7 that. My understanding was that Transcom's exemption
- 8 still was valid. If you have something that can
- 9 determine that, other than my real response, if you
- 10 give a footnote cite, I would be happy to look at.
- 11 JUDGE MORAN: Let me ask the question. Before
- 12 you filed your testimony, did you check --
- 13 THE WITNESS: Did I shepardize?
- 14 JUDGE MORAN: Yes.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Yes. I believe it was
- shepardized for me by my paralegal.
- 17 MR. BINNIG: We'll address it in our brief,
- 18 your Honor.
- 19 MR. BINNIG: Q. Let's move to Page 8 of your
- 20 direct testimony. Looking at Line 173 where you say
- 21 Global has just -- has just such an appeal pending in
- 22 California, do you see that?

- 1 A One moment. I'm sorry. On Page 8?
- 2 Q Page 8, Line 173. Do you see where you say
- 3 Global has just such an appeal pending in California?
- 4 A Yes, sir.
- 5 Q Are you referring there to a Section 252 E6
- 6 appeal that Global NAPs-California, Inc., filed
- 7 against the California Public Utilities Commission
- 8 regarding that Commission's decision against Global
- 9 NAPs-California, Inc., in a complaint proceeding that
- was brought by Cox (phonetic) Communications?
- 11 A I'm not sure. We have -- we had two
- 12 appeals pending in California, one with SBC and one
- 13 with Cox. I believe that Cox went final
- 14 determination after this was filed and I think that
- 15 the appeal was dismissed. I'm not certain of the
- 16 status of the appeal with SBC. I believe that there
- was a hearing last Monday, but I was not present for
- 18 that. I'm trying to be helpful.
- 19 Q Would it refresh your recollection if I
- 20 represented to you that the complaint brought by
- 21 AT&T-California, Inc., Global NAPs-California, Inc.,
- 22 is still with the California Public Utilities

- 1 Commission waiting for a decision from them -- final
- 2 decision from them and that the hearing that took
- 3 place approximately ten days ago was a hearing in the
- 4 appeal that I just described the 252 E6 appeal that
- 5 was brought by Global NAPs-California, Inc.,
- 6 regarding a CPUC, California Public Utilities
- 7 Commission' decision --
- 8 A Sure.
- 9 and the Cox Communications' complaint
- 10 case?
- 11 A Yes. Thank you.
- 12 Q Let's move down on the same page to Lines
- 13 180 to 183. There's a question and answer here and
- in this question and answer you assert that the
- deferral of a ruling on AT&T-Illinois' complaint or
- 16 dismissing it and compelling AT&T-Illinois to file
- 17 for redress of grievances at the FCC is appropriate,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A Yes. In fact, I believe that AT&T sought
- 20 such a declaratory request at the FCC but not
- 21 specifically with respect to Global NAPs.
- 22 MR. BINNIG: Let's mark this.

- 1 (Whereupon, AT&T-Illinois
- 2 Cross Exhibit No. 4 was
- 3 marked for
- 4 identification.)
- 5 MR. BINNIG: Q. Mr. Scheltema, let me show you
- 6 what's been marked for identification as
- 7 AT&T-Illinois Cross Exhibit 4. I'll represent to you
- 8 that what this is in the federal court lawsuit
- 9 pending in the United State Circuit Court for the
- 10 Northern District of Illinois brought by Illinois
- 11 Bell Telephone Company against Global NAPs-Illinois,
- 12 Inc., and a number of other Global NAPs-Illinois,
- 13 Inc., affiliates. This is the defendant's motion to
- 14 dismiss for grounds of lack of subject matter
- jurisdiction along with the supporting memorandum.
- 16 Do you recognize this as such?
- 17 A I was not involved in the preparation. I
- don't even believe that I reviewed it previously but
- 19 I know that that was filed on our behalf. I'm aware
- 20 of that.
- 21 Q And this was filed by counsel -- two sets
- of counsel, one for Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc., and

- 1 Global NAPs, Inc. Global NAPs Realty, Inc., and
- 2 Global NAPs Network, Inc., that being Mr. Luzadder,
- 3 L-u-z-a-d-d-e-r, of the Kelley, Drye firm and also
- 4 Mr. Fowler, Mr. Jackson of the Golar (phonetic) Group
- 5 on behalf of Global NAPs Venturing?
- 6 A That's what it appears to be, yes.
- 7 Q It appears to be filed on or about
- 8 September 7, 2007?
- 9 A Yes, sir. That's what it states.
- 10 Q If you could turn to Page 5 of the
- 11 memorandum of law, okay, and for ease of reference,
- 12 there's no electronic document pagination at the top
- of the page the pagination there is Page 9 of 29.
- 14 A Yes, sir.
- 15 Q Do you see that?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q And there's a subsection or Section A that
- 18 appears in the middle of this page. Do you see that?
- 19 A Yes, sir.
- 20 O That section is entitled "The act does not
- 21 confer jurisdiction over claims to interpret or
- 22 enforce the terms of the interconnection agreement

- 1 which have not first been presented to the
- 2 appropriate state commission for decision." Do you
- 3 see that?
- 4 A Yes, sir.
- 5 Q Okay. Now could you also turn to Page 11
- of the supporting memorandum.
- 7 A Is there a question on that?
- 8 Q That was my question. Is that what the
- 9 document says?
- 10 A Okay.
- 11 Q If you could turn to Page 11 of the
- 12 supporting memorandum. For ease of reference,
- electronic pagination on the top says Page 15 of 29.
- 14 Do you have that?
- 15 A Yes, I do.
- 16 Q And this in the lower half of this page,
- 17 the next section, Section B, begins; is that correct?
- 18 A Yes, sir.
- 19 Q And that section says "Each of Illinois
- 20 Bell's claims arise out of the dispute for the
- 21 interpretation of the ICA and none of these disputes
- 22 have been raised before the ICC; " is that what it

- 1 says?
- 2 A Yes, it does.
- 3 Q At the time this document was filed, the
- 4 claims that are part of this complaint proceeding
- 5 were claims that Illinois Bell had pending in the
- 6 Federal District Court lawsuit in the Northern
- 7 District of Illinois; isn't that correct?
- 8 A That's my understanding as well.
- 9 Q Let's move to Page 12 of your direct
- 10 testimony.
- 11 A Yes, sir.
- 12 Q Look at Line 270 and you have a sentence
- 13 there where you assert in some Global is a data CLEC.
- 14 Do you see that?
- 15 A Yes, I do.
- 16 Q Do you agree with me that the term "data
- 17 CLEC" does not appear anywhere in the Federal
- 18 Telecommunications Act?
- 19 A No.
- 20 Q Can you identify for me where the term
- 21 "data CLEC" appears in the Federal Telecommunications
- 22 Act, or you just don't know one way or the other?

- 1 A That's my characterization of it.
- 2 Q Does the term "data CLEC" appear anywhere
- 3 in the Federal Telecommunications Act to your
- 4 knowledge?
- 5 A Not to my knowledge. It's an industry
- 6 term.
- 7 Q Does the term "data CLEC" appear anywhere
- 8 in the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 to your
- 9 knowledge?
- 10 A I don't recall reading it, no.
- 11 Q Does the term "data CLEC" appear anywhere
- in the FCC's rules implementing the Federal
- 13 Telecommunications Act of 1996 to your knowledge?
- 14 A Not to my knowledge.
- 15 Q Are you aware that the term that Sections
- 16 251 and 252 used, in particular in Section 251(c) of
- 17 the 1996 Act, is a, quote, requesting
- 18 telecommunications carrier, close quote?
- 19 A I'm sorry. Can you repeat that -- the
- 20 question.
- 21 Q Are you aware that the term that Section
- 22 251(c) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996

- 1 uses is a, quote, requesting telecommunications
- 2 carrier, close quote?
- 3 A I'll accept that subject to check.
- 4 Q And I take it that it's your position that
- 5 Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc., qualifies as a requesting
- 6 telecommunications carrier under Section 251(c) of
- 7 the 1996 Act?
- 8 A I don't know what context you are referring
- 9 to, but I would -- I would say that it requests
- 10 services. It's a CLEC. In this instance, when I say
- data CLEC, instead of saying a General Motors car,
- 12 I'm saying it's a red General Motors car. That's my
- 13 analogy if that helps.
- Q Well, would it help you to answer my
- 15 question if I gave you a copy of Section 251(c)?
- 16 A Certainly.

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- 19 (Whereupon, AT&T-Illinois
- 20 Exhibit No. 5 was marked
- 21 for identification.)
- 22 Q Mr. Scheltema, I'll replace what I have

- just handed you with, okay, what's been marked as
- 2 AT&T-Illinois Cross Exhibit 5 for identification as a
- 3 copy of Section 251 of the Federal Telecommunications
- 4 Act of 1996, and if you look at the second page
- 5 under, you'll see, Subsection C there, additional
- 6 obligations of incumbent local exchange carrier.
- 7 A Yes, sir.
- 9 there, second sentence, the requesting
- 10 telecommunications carrier also has a duty to
- 11 negotiate in good faith the terms and conditions of
- 12 such agreements. Do you see that?
- 13 A Yes, sir.
- 14 O And Line 2, under interconnection, the
- 15 first line, refers to the duty to provide for the
- 16 facility and equipment of any requesting
- 17 telecommunications carrier interconnection of local
- 18 exchange carrier's network.
- 19 So I'll go back to my question,
- 20 Mr. Scheltema. I take it it's your position that
- 21 Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc., qualifies as a, quote,
- 22 requesting telecommunications carrier as that phrase

- 1 appears in Section 251(c) of the 1996 Act?
- 2 A First I have to qualify my answer because
- 3 I'm only responding as to my opinion of the law and
- 4 not behaving as a lawyer today.
- 5 Q That's fine. I'm asking for your
- 6 understanding.
- 7 A Fine. I would have to see what the
- 8 definition of telecommunications carrier is as well
- 9 in order to put this in context.
- 10 Q You understand that Section 251(c) is the
- 11 section that imposes on incumbent local exchange
- 12 carrier the obligation that is implemented through
- 13 the negotiation and arbitration provision of Section
- 14 252 of the Act?
- 15 A Yes, sir, that's my opinion.
- 16 Q And you agree that under Section 251(c) is
- 17 it your understanding that those obligations are
- 18 limited to requests from, "requesting
- 19 telecommunications carriers; " is that right?
- 20 A That's how it appears, yes.
- 21 Q So if Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc., is not a
- 22 requesting telecommunications carrier under this

- 1 provision, then AT&T-Illinois would have no
- 2 obligation to negotiate and arbitrate interconnection
- 3 agreements with it; is that correct?
- 4 A That is correct, and, to the best of my
- 5 knowledge, General Motors can be a car. It can be a
- 6 vehicle. It can be a red car. It can be an Impala.
- 7 Q I'm going back to my question again. Is it
- 8 your understanding, Mr. Scheltema, that Global
- 9 NAPs-Illinois, Inc., qualifies as a requesting
- 10 telecommunications carrier as that phrase appears in
- 11 Section 251C of the 1996 Act?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q So Global NAPs-Illinois is not an enhanced
- 14 service provider, correct?
- 15 A No, it's an intermediary carrier.
- 16 Q Let's move to Line 273, which is further
- down on Page 12.
- 18 A If I can go back -- I'm sorry -- I'm not
- 19 sure that I answered the question completely. I
- 20 would classify as an intermediary carrier. That does
- 21 not mean that in and of itself it cannot also enhance
- the traffic which it carries not to be exclusive.

- 2 NAPs-Illinois, Inc., is not an enhanced service
- 3 provider, correct?
- 4 A We don't market enhanced services to the
- 5 public. I don't know if we don't enhance services,
- 6 so I can't give you a precise answer to that
- 7 question.
- 8 Q Global NAPs-Illinois to your knowledge has
- 9 never marketed services that it characterize as being
- 10 -- let me rephrase that.
- 11 Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc., to your
- 12 knowledge has never marketed itself as an enhanced
- service provider or ESP (phonetic), correct?
- 14 A That is correct. Global NAPs-Illinois,
- 15 Inc., is just one of the rubrics operating under a
- 16 holding company. It's not clear to me that there
- 17 aren't other parts of the corporation that may market
- 18 as an enhanced service provider, but that's not our
- 19 chief business and it does not mean that traffic has
- 20 not been enhanced in some respects.
- 21 Q To your knowledge, Mr. Scheltema, neither
- 22 Global NAPs-Illinois, nor any other Global NAPs

- 1 entities provide enhanced services to retail end
- 2 users; is that correct?
- 3 A In my mind, retail is a meaningless
- 4 distinction. It just means that you are selling and
- 5 able to get payment for. I would characterize it as
- 6 we don't provide end users with any dial tone
- 7 services.
- 8 Q Fine.
- 9 A I don't mean to frustrate you. I'm sorry.
- 10 Q I'm just trying to make the record clear,
- 11 Mr. Scheltema.
- 12 Let me try the question this way. When
- 13 Global NAPs-Illinois obtained certification from the
- 14 Illinois Commerce Commission, it did not indicate
- 15 that it was seeking to provide enhanced services to
- 16 any customers in Illinois; is that correct?
- 17 A No. My understanding is that we came in as
- 18 a traditional CLEC seeking to provide local-based
- 19 services, but it proved to be economically infeasible
- 20 to do so, and, as anybody can realize from the number
- of bankruptcies, and insolvencies, and doing it in
- competition in the local arena, that that's, indeed,

- 1 the case, so we had to change our business plan.
- 2 Q So just to make sure of the answer to my
- 3 question, I'll ask the question again because I don't
- 4 think you answered it.
- 5 Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc., did not in
- 6 seeking certification from this Commission advise or
- 7 inform the Commission that it was going to provide
- 8 enhanced services to any customers in Illinois; is
- 9 that correct?
- 10 JUDGE MORAN: That's a yes or no answer.
- 11 THE WITNESS: I don't recall doing that, so I
- 12 guess no.
- 13 MR. BINNIG: Q. So they did not -- they did
- 14 not represent to the Commission that they were
- 15 planning on providing enhanced services?
- 16 A I don't believe that to be the case. I
- 17 have to look.
- 18 Q It's a yes or no question, Mr. Scheltema.
- 19 A It's a question --
- 20 JUDGE MORAN: It's a yes or no. Wait. Wait.
- 21 And you are also representing somebody here. Okay.
- 22 You have got to know --

- 1 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- JUDGE MORAN: -- the party that you are
- 3 representing. You have got to be able to --
- 4 THE WITNESS: I understand that.
- 5 JUDGE MORAN: I'm getting a lot of evasiveness
- 6 here. That doesn't help me. It doesn't help the
- 7 record. It doesn't help the Commission.
- 8 THE WITNESS: I understand that. I don't
- 9 believe that we told anybody we were doing enhanced
- 10 services. I don't believe that's part of the
- 11 certification process. I don't believe there's
- 12 anything on the form that asks that. I don't think
- 13 it was envisioned by Global NAPs at the time;
- 14 however --
- JUDGE MORAN: So you are defending. I don't
- 16 want you to defend. I just want you to state --
- 17 THE WITNESS: To the best of my knowledge, no.
- 18 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. What was the business plan
- 19 when you started?
- 20 THE WITNESS: The business plan was to provide
- 21 local services as well as debt (sic) reciprocal
- 22 compensation traffic, inbound ISP traffic.

- 1 JUDGE MORAN: That's when the company came in
- 2 for certification with that business plan in print?
- 3 THE WITNESS: That's exactly --
- 4 JUDGE MORAN: When did the business plan
- 5 change? Give me a year. There has to be a record of
- 6 that someplace.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Yes. I understand the question.
- 8 I would say that the ISP remand order changed the
- 9 game for everybody. All of the business plans for
- 10 CLECs were thrown out the window and everybody
- 11 started again in some different format, and then with
- 12 the combined mergers and so forth, it became
- increasingly difficult to negotiate in any decent
- 14 interconnection agreement, so local was out the
- 15 window and new whippy-skippy technology usage was the
- 16 obvious inroad into providing competitive
- 17 telecommunications service, so I would say
- 18 sometime --
- JUDGE MORAN: That doesn't answer my question.
- 20 THE WITNESS: So sometime in April 21, 2001
- 21 when the ISP remand order was issued when people had
- 22 to rethink their business plans, including Global

- 1 NAPs.
- 2 JUDGE MORAN: And then when did Global NAPs
- 3 come out with its new business plan?
- 4 THE WITNESS: I think we started --
- 5 JUDGE MORAN: I'm not faulting you for coming
- 6 out with a bad business plan and you are designing
- 7 it. I just want dates.
- 8 THE WITNESS: I think we started moving
- 9 outbound traffic to a great degree in early 2002,
- 10 which maybe it's 2003, but I know it was the first
- 11 part of one of those two years.
- 12 JUDGE MORAN: I mean, to me this is such a
- 13 major event that if I were to work for your company I
- 14 would have to have that in my mind, and that's what
- 15 I'm looking for. I'm looking for the answer. When
- 16 did the business plan change?
- 17 THE WITNESS: You know, I can get you an
- 18 answer. I can get you an answer. Attached to my
- 19 testimony are various contracts entered into by these
- 20 folks. Let me see if you can bear with me for a
- 21 moment.
- 22 JUDGE MORAN: I'm going to let you. I'm going

- 1 to -- I'm not going to disturb cross-examination.
- 2 You are going to give me an answer at the end.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Sure.
- 4 JUDGE MORAN: Continue, counsel. I apologize.
- 5 MR. BINNIG: Thank you, your Honor.
- 6 MR. BINNIG: Q. So am I correct,
- 7 Mr. Scheltema, that as we sit here today Global
- 8 NAPs-Illinois, Inc., does not classify itself as an
- 9 ESP, correct?
- 10 A No, it's a CLEC.
- 11 Q Let's move down further on Page 12 to Line
- 12 273. It's still on your direct testimony, and this
- is a question and answer that begins what is IP
- 14 enable traffic. Do you see that?
- 15 A Yes. One moment.
- 16 Q And you go on to discuss -- give an answer
- 17 of what you consider IP enable traffic to be.
- 18 A Actually I don't do that. That's what the
- 19 FCC said.
- 21 A Yes, sir.
- 22 Q You have heard before the term IP

- in-the-middle traffic, Mr. Scheltema?
- 2 A Yes, I have.
- 4 to be traffic that originates on the public switch
- 5 telephone network and terminates on the public switch
- 6 telephone network but in-the-middle uses an IP or
- 7 Internet protocol transport format?
- 8 A Actually I think that over-simplifies it.
- 9 My own recollection is that IP in-the-middle was
- 10 characterized by the AT&T declaratory ruling from the
- 11 FCC in which they voided the ESP exemption because
- 12 AT&T was the originating carrier and the terminating
- 13 carrier and they didn't do anything else to enhance
- 14 the traffic except for a certain portion in the
- 15 middle.
- 16 Q You understand that traffic that originates
- 17 on the public switch telephone network originates in
- 18 a different format from the Internet protocol format?
- 19 A Yes. Typically under the public switch
- 20 telephone network, it originates in TDM as discussed
- 21 earlier.
- 22 Q And, similarly, for an end user using a

- 1 land-line telephone connected to the public switch
- 2 telephone network for that end user to receive a
- 3 phone call on that telephone the traffic must be
- 4 delivered to the end user in a TDM format?
- 5 A I don't know about typically any more, but
- 6 I do know that AT&T requires us to convert everything
- 7 we have back into TDM. They won't accept any other
- 8 traffic.
- 9 Q Do you consider IP in-the-middle traffic as
- 10 you have defined it to be IP enable traffic?
- 11 A I did not define it. The FCC defined it
- 12 and I cited to it.
- 13 Q As you just described it in your answer to
- 14 my question about IP in-the-middle traffic,
- 15 Mr. Scheltema, do you consider that traffic to be IP
- 16 enable traffic?
- 17 A No, neither did the FCC, but they were also
- 18 very clear on that ruling that it was specific to
- 19 that particular instance of AT&T and not -- there's
- 20 many distinctions between that and other IP carriers.
- 21 Q Do you consider IP in-the-middle traffic,
- 22 as you described it in response to my earlier

- 1 question, to be VOIP traffic or void traffic?
- 2 A No, not necessarily. I think what void
- 3 traffic can start out on the broadband -- on
- 4 broadband and then it can be turned into TDM later
- 5 after it passes through Global NAPs, for instance, so
- 6 I wouldn't make it exclusively as IP in the middle.
- 7 Q So let me go back to my question. Do you
- 8 consider IP in-the-middle traffic, as you described
- 9 it in response to my earlier question, to be VOIP or
- 10 void traffic?
- 11 A It depends who's in the middle. May I --
- 12 Q Well --
- 13 A -- explain, because it does make a
- 14 difference because there can be multiple carriers
- 15 before Global NAPs, but if you are asking if Global
- 16 NAPs taking something that's delivered to them
- 17 directly from a carrier picking it up from AT&T and
- 18 remains in TDM and we do something to convert it to
- 19 IP and translate it back into the TDM, that would be
- in my view IP in the middle, not void.
- 21 Q That's not my question, Mr. Scheltema.
- 22 A Oh, then I misunderstood. I'm sorry.

- 1 Q I asked you about IP in-the-middle traffic.
- 2 I gave you a definition as to if that was your
- 3 understanding, and you said, well, that
- 4 over-simplifies and you gave me a description of what
- 5 you view IP in-the-middle traffic to be.
- 6 My question is your description of IP
- 7 in-the-middle traffic do you consider that traffic to
- 8 be void or VOIP traffic?
- 9 A Not necessarily, because traffic can be --
- 10 the traffic can be IP in the middle, can be either
- 11 data, it can be a video screen, it can be voice, it
- 12 can be -- you can see the stock quotes. You can see
- 13 the person talking at the same time. You can do all
- 14 sorts of things, so it may not be strictly just voice
- over Internet. That's the problem that I have
- 16 wrapping this into a nutshell.
- 17 Q In what instances -- let me ask the
- 18 question this way. So is it your understanding --
- 19 I'll withdraw that as well.
- 20 Is it your position, Mr. Scheltema, that
- 21 voice traffic, which is also IP in-the-middle
- traffic, as you have described that term, that that

- 1 traffic constitutes VOIP or void traffic?
- 2 A You started out asking me if defining VOIP
- 3 traffic data dot dot as void traffic.
- 4 O No, I didn't.
- 5 A Okay. Can you -- I really don't understand
- 6 your question then. I'm sorry.
- 7 A Can you try it one more time.
- 8 Q Let me take your description of IP
- 9 in-the-middle traffic. It's your position that in
- 10 the IP transport, at any point during the call that
- 11 that's what's being delivered, the information that's
- 12 being delivered is voice traffic?
- 13 A Exclusively?
- 14 O Exclusive voice traffic. Is it your
- 15 position that in that instance the IP in-the-middle
- traffic is also VOIP, or void traffic?
- 17 A Not if there are other enhancements or
- 18 otherwise meets the ESP exemption by being a change
- in format or an access to a storage mechanism.
- 20 Q All right. Let's try it this way,
- 21 Mr. Scheltema. For traffic that does not originate
- 22 in IP format --

- 1 A Right. We'll start out TDM.
- 2 Q It doesn't originate in an IP format,
- 3 converted to an IP format for some portion of the
- 4 transport and then it is converted to a TDM format to
- 5 deliver to an end user on a public switch telephone
- 6 network. Does that traffic feel like void traffic in
- 7 your view or VOIP traffic in your view?
- 8 A Certainly for the portion of time that it
- 9 is traversing the network in IP, it is by definition.
- 10 I think the question you are looking for is is it
- 11 exempt from access charges and VOIP doesn't
- 12 necessarily mean that it's exempt from access charges
- 13 if it doesn't -- if it's not constrained with the ESP
- 14 exemption.
- MR. BINNIG: I move to strike the last portion
- of the answer. That wasn't my question.
- 17 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. It will be stricken.
- 18 Where do you want it stricken from?
- 19 MR. BINNIG: Okay. I want -- when he started
- 20 saying I think your question is and then started
- 21 talking about is it exempt from access charges. That
- 22 wasn't my question.

- 1 JUDGE MORAN: Okay. Is there enough of an
- 2 answer response to satisfy you or do you need to
- 3 re-ask the question?
- 4 MR. BINNIG: Prior to that point, there was
- 5 enough response, yes.
- 6 JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 7 MR. BINNIG: Q. Let's turn to Page 27 of your
- 8 direct testimony --
- 9 A Yes, sir.
- 10 Q -- and I'm looking at Lines 607 through 609
- 11 where you are talking about the guarantee provided to
- 12 Global NAPs-Illinois, Inc., by Global NAPs, Inc.
- 13 A Yes, sir.
- 14 O And at Line 607, second sentence, you state
- 15 because Global NAPs-Illinois has no revenues of its
- own, its condition set forth in guaranteeing still
- 17 exist; therefore, Global NAPs, Inc., is still
- 18 guaranteeing all obligation of Global NAPs-Illinois,
- 19 Inc. Do you see that?
- 20 A Yes, I do.
- 21 Q To your knowledge, Mr. Scheltema, Global
- 22 NAPs, Inc., has not paid a single penny to

- 1 AT&T-Illinois for anything, correct?
- 2 A That's what I answered previously to my
- 3 knowledge, yes.
- 4 Q Previous question was about Global
- 5 NAPs-Illinois. This is about Global NAPs, Inc.
- 6 A I don't know the answer to that. I'm
- 7 sorry.
- 8 O You don't know?
- 9 A I don't know if Global NAPs, Inc., has --
- 10 well, I'm sorry. There is. You asked if Global
- 11 NAPs, Inc., has paid anything to --
- 12 Q AT&T-Illinois.
- 13 A -- to Illinois. I don't think so. To my
- 14 knowledge, no.

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- 17 (Whereupon, AT&T-Illinois
- 18 Cross Exhibit No. 6 was
- 19 marked for
- 20 identification.)
- 21 Q Mr. Scheltema, I'm handing you what's been
- 22 marked as AT&T-Illinois Cross Exhibit 6 --

- 1 A Okay.
- 3 motion that was filed at the end of July 2008 for
- 4 stay of enforcement of judgment pending disposition
- 5 of motions and supporting memorandum. This was filed
- 6 in the lawsuit brought by South New England Telephone
- 7 Company against Global NAPs, Inc., and a number of
- 8 affiliates of Global NAPs, Inc.
- 9 Are you familiar with this motion and
- 10 supporting memorandum?
- 11 A I'm familiar with the concept behind it but
- 12 I did not review the motion nor the memorandum behind
- 13 it.
- 14 Q Let's turn to Page 5 of the supporting
- 15 memorandum.
- 16 A Okay.
- 17 Q And you see there just over halfway down
- 18 the page there's a section that says the court should
- 19 not require a bond?
- 20 A Yes, I see it.
- Q Okay. And then this section continues for
- several pages. If you go to Page 6, and I'm going to

- 1 call your attention to the last full paragraph on
- 2 Page 6, the last sentence of that paragraph that
- 3 begins the declaration of Samuel Gargor (phonetic)?
- 4 A I'm sorry. I don't see where you are.
- 5 MR. HARVEY: Nor do I.
- 6 JUDGE MORAN: Nor do I.
- 7 MR. BINNIG: Q. On Page 6 of the supporting
- 8 memorandum --
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q -- there's a paragraph about the middle of
- 11 the page that begins if an unsecured stay.
- 12 A Oh, yes, I see that.
- 13 Q Go to the last sentence of that paragraph.
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q It states there that the declaration of
- 16 Samuel Gargor (phonetic) reveals that defendants have
- 17 sought a bond but cannot qualify because they do not
- 18 possess sufficient cash or its equivalent. Do you
- 19 see that?
- 20 A Yes, I do.
- 21 Q And, to your knowledge, that's an accurate
- 22 statement?

- 1 A I don't have any knowledge on this, but I
- 2 can't tell you, so, yes, to my knowledge it's an
- 3 accurate statement.
- 4 Q One of the defendants is Global NAPs, Inc.,
- 5 is it not?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q And you are the vice president for
- 8 regulatory affairs for Global NAPs, Inc.?
- 9 A Yes, I am.
- 10 Q And then if you move to the bottom of Page
- 11 6, the paragraph that begins two lines from the
- 12 bottom, it says this case is similar to that of, and
- it says Fowler (phonetic) case.
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q It states in that case as here the
- 16 defendants were without sufficient assets to satisfy
- 17 the judgment and execution of the judgment would
- 18 place the defendants in insolvency. Do you see that?
- 19 A Yes, I do.
- 20 Q And one of the defendants being referred to
- in here is Global NAPs, Inc.; is that correct?
- 22 A Yes. That's the named defendant on Page 1

- 1 for the judgment of, looks like, close to \$6 million.
- 2 MR. BINNIG: Your Honor, I have no further
- 3 questions. At this time we would like to perhaps
- 4 take a break so we can give Mr. Moore the full set of
- 5 the discovery responses.
- 6 JUDGE MORAN: Fine, and that will give
- 7 Mr. Scheltema time to find an answer to my question.
- 8 THE WITNESS: I believe I have found it while
- 9 we were discussing another matter.
- 10 JUDGE MORAN: Okay.
- 11 THE WITNESS: From --
- 12 JUDGE MORAN: Thank you.

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- 14 (Whereupon, the following
- 15 proceedings were held in.
- 16 Camera:)

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